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A MURDERER FAINTS

WHEN THE DEATH SENTENCE IS PRONOUNCED—HIS CRIME—A NEGRO

INVENTS A LIGHT WHICH EQUALS THE ELECTRIC LIGHT—AN INTERESTING ENTERTAINMENT.

Helena, Ark., Special.

A GRAND time will be had at Carter's Chapel A. M. E. church on Monday night, December 26th, when a monster fireplace will be turned into a myriad of presents for those assembled. Admission, 10 cents for children, 15 cents for adults. Everyone present will receive a present. Nathan Carter, who was sentenced last Friday to be hanged on the 19th of January, fainted when the Judge pronounced the sentence, and at the words "until dead by the neck," cried out "Oh my God!" He was convicted for the murder of Prince Malloy, for which crime his accomplice, White, was hanged here some time since. Our city was enlivened this week by a visit from Prof. C. W. S. Walker, with his Phantasmagoria Panopticon. He exhibited here three nights to good audiences. His pictures are the work of a true artist. He was accompanied by Miss Tibbs, his cousin. Among the pictures exhibited were the Johnstown flood, life of Garfield, scenes at the World's Fair, life of General Grant and others which were the perfection of art. The portraits of the Savior, Grant and Garfield, were the best ever seen in this city. Prof. Walker has made a hit in Helena, and packed houses will greet his re-appearance here, as his entertainments are as far above the average panorama as The Freeman is over its contemporaries. His oxi-ether light is of his own manufacture and gives forth a light equal to any electric light. This is a race enterprise and a first-class one, and should be patronized by the race wherever Prof. Walker may go.

Miss Fannie Kendall is not likely to recover.

Mrs. Frank Epps paid a visit to Memphis, Tenn.

Lawyer Donohoo has been busy at Marvell for several days.

John Arter and son are recovering from their severe illness.

Messrs. Tom. Mason and Martin Meyers went to Missouri last week.

Mrs. J. W. Terrel made a trip to Memphis to visit her sick daughter.

Don't fail to recognize The Freeman collector as he must make his settlement.

We visited Prof. Walker's biorama each night during its stay in the city, and find it excellent.

The Male Triple Quartett gave entertainments Friday and Saturday nights at the Centennial church.

Miss Jennie Brown won the prize for selling the greatest number of tickets to the A. M. E. church entertainment.

Young men and young ladies be very careful where you go, for you will certainly be exposed as Uncle Remus has an eye to dark work.

N. H. Gray, of the Mississispi Co-Operative Loan and Benefit association, will leave for Vicksburg to see why applicants don't receive their money.

C. W. S. Walker and Miss E. R. Tibbs the Phantasmagoria cosmopolitan and Biblical Bioramist, stopped with Thomas Craig while exhibiting in the city.

Mrs. Albert Arnold, a teacher of room No. 7, in the Peabody building, was so much indisposed that she had to employ Miss Glennie Chapple in her stead.

Miss E. R. Tibbs, of Harrison, O., business manager of the Phantasmgaoria Cosmopolitan and Biblical Biorama, is quite an elocutionist and vocalist. We welcome her to our city again.

Governor Eagle, of Arkansas, pardoned Henry Young from the penitentiary to appear in the court of Helena as a witness against Nathan Carter for murdering Prince Malloy, on Island 66, thirty miles below the city.

Rev. J W. Whitesides was re-appointed pastor of the A. M. E. church, in this city, for the ensuing conference year, at the annual conference held at Pine Bluff last week. Rev. E. Brooks was also re-appointed Presiding Elder of the Helena district.

The rally at the Centennial church on December 4th, was a success. All the ministers of the city were present. The A. M. E. church collection in the morning was $16.50; the Second Baptist collection in the afternoon was $26; and the Centennial people at night, $97.50. Total $140.

Two white men became exasperated while traveling. When the train put in at Holly Grove, Miss., they alighted to continue their quarrel. A brick was thrown which broke through a window in the car, striking Mrs. Mary Hardy in the temple, inflicting a severe wound.

A suit for damages will be instituted by certain ladies in Helena against the St. L. A. and T. railway. They left the city a few days since and on making connection with this road were placed, instead of a coach, in the baggage

Continued on Fifth Page.

Some distinguished race litterateurs who will take part in the gathering of the "Literati," to convene at Wilmington, N. C., December 27th

Daniel B. Williams.

Author of "Science, Art and Methods of Teaching," "Freedom and Progress," Etc.

Yours ever,

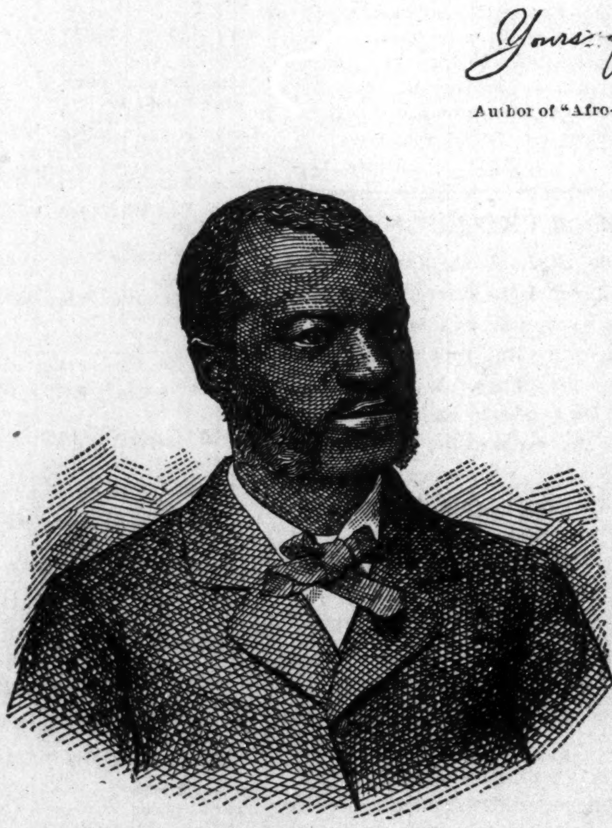
Geo. C. Rowe.

Author of "Thoughts in Verse."

Yours fraternally,

I. Garland Penn.

Author of "Afro-American Press and its Editors."



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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

PARTY MACHINATIONS AND NOT THE PRESIDENT RESPONSIBLE FOR

THE APATHY ON THE QUESTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS—THE FORCE BILL NOT DEAD—SOCIETY NEWS.

Cleveland, O., Special.

WE think it not too late to have our say about the much talked of message That it was an able paper, well prepared, statesman like and thoroughly American, cannot be denied. President Harrison has, on more than one occasion, proven himself a thorough student of affairs; and his successor will not find it a very easy matter to fill the chair with as much satisfaction to the people, except in a literary way, by reason of his physical corpulence. Aside from other matters ably discussed in this excellent document, the President deals with the question of human liberty in a manner that demands the highest respect of all patriotic citizens. Upon this question Mr. Harrison has always taken a decided stand. If we take time to reflect we will remember that it was not the fault of the President that this issue was relegated to the background in the recent campaign, but the fault of a few men who led his party. It is a fact somewhat worthy of our notice that party leaders charged with the management of the campaign seemed blind to this question: "No Negro domination" appeared to intimidate the North as well as the South. Even Tom. Reed was afraid of it, and so was Lodge. But there were a few men who still had the courage of their convictions. There were Senator Hoar, and our Foraker and McKinley. These men stood out for the right and there may come a day when they will not regret it. But the majority were not with them. The appeal of the party was direct to the pocket book. Nothing else was given any attention. An increase in wages was all that was desired, and the result is known to all men. Is it not really an open question as to whether such conduct deserves success? The issue that should have gone along with the tariff was that of human liberty, a fair count and a fearless ballot. The President, still true to his record, true to his principles and to the people, renews his pledge to the oppressed, and advocates the doctrine of free and equal suffrage. This question is not dead, it is very much alive. A fair vote and a fair return must be the cry of the future. The fact that twenty eight hundred men in Georgia equal five thousand men in Ohio, is an intolerable national disgrace and cannot long be endured by a free people. If the dregs of southern Europe can vote with the Democrats in the North, why should not the black citizen of the South be allowed to vote with the party of his choice, the constitutional rights of the one being as unmistakable and absolute as those of the other. Now that President Harrison has revived the "Force bill" issue, let no Republican put it down again. The President will soon step down and out and may never again allow himself to be brought forward for public office, but one thing is assured, he has made an excellent Chief Magistrate, having done all that any man could hope to do, serving his country faithfully and nobly. He will carry with him the confidence and affection of all the people.

It seems that the F. T. Loudin Shoe Manufactory at Ravenna, Ohio, is not a "child of fancy" but a real live fact.

There was an Art Loan Exhibit at the home of Mrs. J. C. Brown, Central avenue, the 8th, instant, for the benefit of St. Andrew's Mission,

Hon. J. P. Green scored the first acquittal in the criminal court this term, the charge being shooting with intent to kill. The defendant proved shooting with intent to frighten.

Edward C. Williams is pursuing a Post Graduate course at Adelbert college.

It is not very creditable to his race for a business or professional man of color to say that he is dependent almost entirely upon white patronage for his support.

Everyone should order a copy of the Christmast issue of The Freeman. It promises to be the greatest effort of Negro journalism ever seen in this country.

Dr. E. E. Underwood, who is well known to the good people of this city, having studied medicine here for three years, is steadily building up a large and lucrative practice at Frankfort, Ky.

Wm. Carroll, of this city, has procured a good position as stenographer in the office of the Pullman company, in Chicago.

George W. Sampson does an extensive contracting business, employing a large number of workmen.

The Republican party in Ohio is not thinking of disbanding. It is "doing business at the same old stand."

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WOMAN'S WORLD.

Instructive and Interesting Items of News.

GLEANED FROM PHILOSOPHERS' PUNS AND PRESS COMMENTS PERTAINING TO WOMEN.

'A race, no less than a nation, is prosperous in proportion to the intelligence of its women.

It is not so much what you say
As the manner in which you say it;
It is not so much the language you use,
As the tone in which you convey it.

"Come here!" I sharply said,
And the baby cowed and wept;
"Come here!" I cooed, he looked and smiled
And straight to my lap he crept.

The words may be mild and fair,
And the tones may pierce like a dart;
The words may be soft as the summer air,
And the tones may break the heart.

For words but come from the mind,
And grow by study and art;
But tones leap up from the inner self,
And reveal the state of the heart.

Then would you quarrels avoid,
And in peace and love rejoice,
Keep anger not only out of your words,
But keep it out of your voice.

—Selected.

Mme. Flora Batson Bergen appeared before three large audiences at Indianapolis last week,

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Mary Wilder was shot and killed by Nash. Crowder, her lover, at Burford, Ga., December 3d.

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Mme. Selika, assisted by Ednora Nahar, the elocutionist appeared at the Athenaeum, N. Y., December 5th.

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A grand testimonial was tendered Miss Hallie Q. Brown by the Afro-American league at San Francisco December 5th.

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Miss Carrie L. Dickenson, of San Francisco, has been appointed to a Federal position after a rigid examination.

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Henrietta Vinton Davis and her own company of colored artists, will present East Lynne, on December 29th, at Richmond, Va.

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A young colored woman, Josephine Fields, of Cleveland, O, is a victim of a peculiar case of insanity. Her hallucination is that she is a married woman and seeking a divorce that she may marry Grover Cleveland, the president-elect. She has recently showered letters upon him asking his financial assistance that she may prepare for the wedding.

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"Want of consideration is very often more want of thought than of heart; and what looks like absolute unconscientiousness could be set right by a reminder perhaps better than by a remonstrance. For indeed, two-thirds of the wrong-doing which afflicts society spring from want of thought, want of reflection—in a word, from folly rather than from intentional and predetermined evil."

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"It is of the greatest importance that those who have in charge the training of the young should see to it that their reading is of the proper character; and to control this, it does not by any means follow that only instructive, or what is thought to be useful, reading should be allowed. There is a curious perversity about human nature that resents the command, "Thou shalt not!" when applied to that which seems to them altogether harmless. One of the wisest instructors recently remarked that if the reading of history were strictly prohibited, the American youngster would sit up nights and study it."

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Miss Bertha I. Estes, a trained nurse at Provident Hospital, Chicago, died November 30th, under very pathetic circumstances. Having been left an orphan in her infancy, her rearing devolved upon the mercy of relatives with whom she found a comfortable home. While a resident of Washingington, D. C., about two years since, she conceived the idea of becoming a trained nurse, and to that end entered Freedmen's Hospital in that city, from thence to Provident Hospital, Chicago, where her proficiency and theoretical intelligence, at once made her valuable to that institution and in pursuit of its duties she contracted her fatal illness, which lasted but one week. Her funeral obsequies were imposing and conducted by Chicago's representative citizens.

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"Lovers do not intend to be deceitful, but nevertheless the period of engagement is one in which they do not reveal themselves in their true character. Of course they do not see as much of each other's company before as after marriage, and those too brief intervals, as they then consider them, are utilized to show only the good side of the one to the other. She does not wrangle with him when he arrives, but puts her trouble out of sight until at least he leaves her, when she drops he mask assumed for his benefit and becomes once more her natural self. It is not deceit—it is policy. He on his side is equally prone to practice a deception as great as her own. He comes to call in spick-and-span evening dress, with a little gift which he presents with a dainty air of compliment that makes her consider him the most generous creature in the world. When they go out he spends his money in a princely and inconsequent manner as though it grew. Business worries, money difficulties, all are kept in the back ground during the engagement, but marriage alters all this. Then do each learn the true man or woman they have married."

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No matter what your years, lay out your plans for a prolonged lifetime, while you are to be prepared to go at any time. Some of the best work the world has ever seen was done after the time when most people think they must stop, Izaak Walton wrote some of his best biographies after he was 85. Christopher Wren kept on with architecture until he was 86. Cato learned the Greek language at 80. Hobbes, at 87 years of age, translated the "Iliad." Fontenelle wrote vigorously at 99 years. Monaldesco penned the history of his time at 150 years of age. But I am glad for the human race that life is being prolonged. Take off of it the years we are getting ready to work and the years we are getting ready to die, and instead of lives being, as in the time of the psalmist, a handbreadth, it got down to a finger breadth. Beside the additional opportunity that is allowed for work by this improved longevity, there is an increased opportunity for enjoyment. It is far more interesting to live now than in former ages. What the old patriarchs did with four or five hundred years on their hand I know not. There was so little to see, life must have become awfully monotonous. There were no railroads to take them to any other place. They had no better light than a dull candle. Their next neighbors had lived there so long as from the time of the discovery of America until now. But in our day there is so much to see and hear, as well as so much to do, that life is filled with novelties and entertainments, and while I would not ask for an earthly residence as long as that of Nahor or the shorter-lived Methusaleh, I would risk, if I had the opportunity, a couple of centuries.—T. DeWitt Talmage.

A Beautiful Wedding.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Miss Lena Willis is very ill at 959 W. Walnut street. Mrs. Mary Cook has returned to her home at Frankfort, Ky. The Y. M. C. A. meets at Centre Street C. M. E. church next Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. M. Coleman, of Jeffersonville, Ind., was in the city last Sunday. The "Champion," one of our weekly papers, has suspended for a few weeks. W. H. Harris and Miss M. B. Bowen will be married in the Xmas week. Cards are out announcing the marriage of J. W. Ridley to Miss Pattie Baker, at the residence of the bride's parents, 1205 Dumesnil street, on Thursday, December, 22d. Office of The Freeman at Louisville is 1430 W. Stone street. At the Orphans Home last Thanksgiving, a lady brought a basket of girls clothes to the home, finding no girls there, she carried them away. It is a pity there is no more interest taken in the little girls of our city who are orphans. The following donations were received by the matron: Mrs. Andrew Cowan, barrel of flour; Knox Presbyterian church, Kindergarten school, potatoes, cakes, apples, turnips, pumpkins, grapes, meal and candy; Fifth Baptist church, Mrs. W. Y. Clinton, basket of different articles; Mrs. A. M. Thornton, sugar; Jos. Bowles and wife, grapes; Mrs. Thornton, turkey; Mrs. Dykes, potatoes; Green Street Baptist church, turkey, tomatoes, coffee, clothes and twenty-five bushels of coal; the ladies sewing circle, bread, tomatoes, sardines, sugar, jar of black berries, all for which the matron extends many thanks Monday evening, November 21st, the marriage of Miss Nellie Jones to Rev. Richard Bright, took place at the "Church of our Merciful Savior." Prompt at 8 o'clock the bridal party was announced and as Mendelesohn's wedding march pealed forth from the great organ the vestry boy followed by Rev. Brown and Bishop Dudley marched in. Then came the bride leaning upon the arm of her father, being met at the altar by the waiting groom. A very impressive ceremony was performed by the rector of the church, and after blessings from the bishop, were pronounced man and wife. The bride was attired in a stylish traveling suit of gray Bavarian cloth, with hat to match. They were the recipients of many costly presents and left at midnight on a bridal tour. Miss Jones has been long connected with the public schools of Louisville. Mr. and Mrs. Bright will make their future home in Savannah, Ga., where he is in charge of a parish.

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E. Morris,
Danville, Va.

A Coming Attraction.

Helena, Ark., Special.

J. W. Bryant, wife and daughter, Miss Augusta A. Gray, left Thanksgiving for Mound City, Ill., where they will reside for the present. Dr. Brownfield has a crowded hall every night at the Armory. His concerts and lectures are good. A great attraction will be at the A. M. E. church on Monday, Dec. 26th, in addition to the beautiful cantata, "Santa Claus & Co." A massive fire place will be on exhibition, from which "Santa" will make his appearance and transform the fireplace into presents for the children. Wm. C Cox has been indisposed this week. The banquet at the A. M. E. Church last Monday night in honor of Rev. J. W. Whitesides, the pastor, who left on Tuesday for the Annual Conference at Pine Bluff, netted about $40. Petitions both from the Sabbath school and church of Carter's Chapel were sent Bishop Arnett, asking the return of Rev. J. W. Whitesides for another year. Mesdames Jessie Wright and J. W. Terril, accompanied with Mrs. Lizzie Miller and Mrs. F. B. White, will be in attendance at the A. M. E. Conference in Pine Bluff, Ark. Mrs. Terril will take a trip to the city of roses before returning. Miss Minnie Taylor, of Southland College, was in the city last week. Mesdames Hattie High, of Mississippi, Lena B. Motley, of Oklahoma, and Ida B. Peary, of Pine Bluff, Ark., will visit the city during the holidays. We desire that our agent should make a final settling at the close of the year. He can't do so unless he is paid promptly. You that are in the rear will please cash up. Theodore Robinson will not marry until Christmas. Mrs. Docie Adair, of Little Rock, is having a pleasant stay with Mrs. Jessie Wright, her sister. St. Louis reports having 134 cases of scarlet fever. Sheriff Rogers and Deputy Morris, of Marion county, Tenn., just had time to make an escape from the Jasper jail with three colored murderers when an infuriated mob was about to make an attack and storm the prison. The murderers were taken to Chattanooga and safely locked up. Lawyer C. Adair, of Little Rock, was in the city on law business. His wife intends to spend the Christmas here. Quite a shower of meteors were seen to fall last week, (Wednesday 23rd ult.) Several persons passed through the city enroute for Oklahoma, Ter. S. Lampkins, carpenter at the Anchor oil works, has been delayed several days from his work with a bruised foot. The funeral of little James Lewis was preached last Sunday at the A. M. E. church by Rev. J. W. Whiteside. Mrs R. T. Hoard and her 9-pound boy are having excellent health. Mrs. Julia Haynes has been quite sick for several days.

Dahomey.

The French Republic has for some months been waging war against Behanzin, the King of Dahomey. Dahomey is an independent kingdom of Guinea in Western Africa. The inhabitants are tall, well-formed, intelligent, singularly honest and far advanced in agriculture. At the exception of a few Mohammedans, the Dahomeans are pagans, and practice fetish-worship. The King is the most absolute of despots. Wholesale murders are the chief features of their state and religious ceremonies. As many as five hundred human victims are sometimes sacrificed at one "grand custom," the present King having immolated that many at the death of his father. The revenue, until recent years, depended greatly upon the sale of slaves; but the vigilance of the cruisers and the presence of the French on the coast have almost done away with the horrible traffic. Hence the monster slave-hunts, which took place periodically, must come to an end. In 1876 the coast of Dahomey was placed under a strict blockade by Great Britian, on account of an outrage on a British subject, for which the King refused to give satisfaction.

There are French establishments, bordering on Dahomey, which have suffered many outrages at the hands of the Dahomeans and a warfare has been going on for two years. The French commander is General Dodds, a Mulatto and a native of French Senegal. The new commander is well fitted for the position. He has the entire confidence of the Senegalese Negroes who constitute an important part of his little army. He is of robust constitution, and accustomed to the climate of the country. So far he has entirely justified the confidence which was reposed in him, and has been uniformly successful in presence of desperate resistance. He is personally brave, and, on one occasion, when his troops were hotly pressed, he seized a gun, and showed his men what he expected of them. He has taken Cana, the holy city of the Dahomeans. The priests have fled, bnt they have imbued the Dahomean soldiers with their fanaticism, who swear that they will die to the last man,

Best on The Globe.

TO THE FREEMAN, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

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A. G. Taylor Jr.
Birmingham, Ala.

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Any one furnishing information where a comrade of Co. "E" 26th Regiment of U. S. Col. Vol. Infantry, and who knew William Fox of Kentucky can be found will receive reward by addressing Mrs Henrietta Wilson, 1215 East Forest avenue, Maysville, Ky.

I should be pleased to know the whereabouts of Mrs Anna M. Pope She was formerly in Augusta. Ga. Her name before she was married was Miss Anna M. Williams. She married James Pope, of Agusta. Any information concerning her whereabouts will be thankfully received by Edward A. Robinson, Co., C., 24th, Infantry, with United States boundary commission, via Bisbee, Ariz., Ter.

Alexander Ferguson, who was sold from Richmond, Va, to Columbus, Ga., just before the war. Any information respecting the above will pe gladly received by his brother, Charles Washington Norman Fairleigh, Glester Road, Bristol, United Kingdom.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of my father, Thomas Lucas, of Wilmington, N. C., lived in New York City in the neighborhood of McDugal and Sullivan streets, about 1885. An information will be gladly received by David L. Brown, 1 Tottenham street, Tottenham Court Road, London, W., England.

I would like to find my two sons, John and Dorse Price They were raised in North Carolina, Rockingham county. Their father's name was Sias Price, when last heard from Dorse was in Massachusetts, He left after he was free. Any information of either will be thankfully received by Willie Price, 59 South Sycamore street, Springfield, O.

Mr, George Smith, of Hillsboro, O., would like to find his relatives. Their names were Isiah Smith, Michael Smith, Theodore Smith and Elvira Smith. She belonged to Jas. Smith, at Delhi; her mother was named Phœbe; she married Sam Dorsa. Candis Gipson was Isaiah and Nichall's mother, also Theodore. We were neighbors of Dr. Chas. Mitchell near Brushy Bayou.

Mrs. Sarah Hooper, of Hamburg street, Baltimore, Md., would like to hear from her mother and sisters. Her mother's name was Mrs. Hester Kennard; she had three daughters and one son. Her son's name is John Brown, and his sisters names are Mary and Charlotte Brown. Mrs. Hester Kennard lived in Chattanooga, Tenn. She has not heard from her mother for some time. Please address Mrs. Sarah Hooker, at 153 Hamburg streeet, Baltimore, Md.

I would like to know the wherabouts of Crocket Burleson; he left home in 1879 and when we heard of him he was in northern Texas and had got to be a railroad fireman; he left home when he was only 17 years old; he has been gone thirteen years. Information will be gladly received by Giles Burleson, his father and his mother, Missouri Burleson. His three oldest sisters' names are Georgia, Ada and Ida.

Address Jiles Burleson, care of I. P, Schneider, No. 400 W Second Street,
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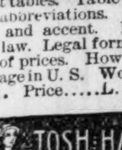

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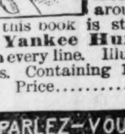

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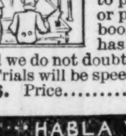

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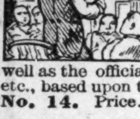

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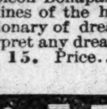

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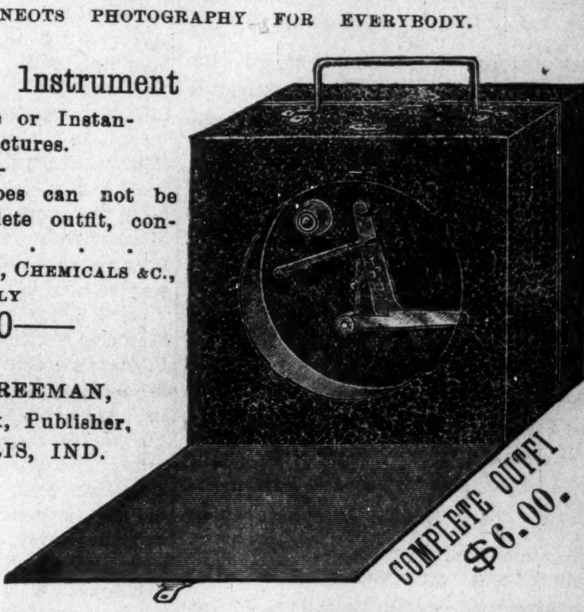

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Carthage, Mo.

The Union League literary society re-opened with twenty-five members. The speakers of the evening were Miss Sarah Grammar, Mrs. Annie Stemmons. Messrs. G. W. Patterson, H. H. Tidwell, R. A. Byrd, N. A. Grammer and W, L. Blake. Our colored store is about to go into bankruptcy. The new store on North Main street, owned by Messrs. John Scott and Kirby, is doing good business. When will our race patronize one another? Mrs. Hogans took a pleasant trip to Kansas City, Kan., recently. N. T. Green. of Joplin, was in the city on the 3rd, inst, Mrs Lillie Pemberton, a reader of The Freeman, has been sick.

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Johnstown, Pa.

The young men of the A. M. E. church literary society had a grand debate December 2nd; also a supper. Mrs. Campbell has returned from a visit to Pittsburg. Mt. Olivet Baptist church was dedicated on December 4th. St. Paul A. M. E. church was completed and dedicated on December 11th.

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JUDGE GRUBB'S CHARGE.

The following extract from the charge of Judge Grubbs to the grand jury of Morgan county relative to the desecrators of soldiers' graves is very inspiring reading, and should cause the scoundrels whoever they may be, to fairly quake in their boots as the possibility of detection looks them in the face. Said the Judge:

"These crimes are of such a nature that they have attracted universal attention and are being commented upon by citizens and public journals the country over. There is a public demand, not only in this county, but it extends to the limits of the land, and is on every honest man's lips, that the men who perpetrated this unspeakable outrage shall be hunted down, and that every effort and every means known to the law shall be energetically used to bring them to swift and sure punishment. It is not astonishing that it should be so. The crime is so unusual, so outrageous in its conception and execution, attended with so much indignity and depravity, exhibits a spirit of such malignity and vandalism, that it is difficult to realize that it could be conceived and operated in a civilized community. I refer to the alleged and well-authenticated desecration of graves of the dead in various parts of our county. It is difficult to believe in the existence of a spirit of such malignity that would deliberately desecrate the graves of the dead The instinct of humanity has respect for the place where the dead are laid, for the raised mound, the simple headstone and the loving inscription thereon. Men tread lightly and speak reverently in the city of the dead. Only ghouls and wretches with hearts depraved and fatally bent on mischief, violate the sanctity of the dead. And when it is done universal humanity cries out against it, and if it did not, where should we lay our dead? * * * * * Your business is to discover the guilty parties. It makes no difference by whom this outrage was committed, or what evil purpose or malic ous spirit inspired it; whether, as claimed by some, the perpetrators were inspired by hatred to the soldier and the cause he represented, or whether, as claimed by others, they sought to cast odium and discredit on a hostile party, or whether they were hoodlums lost to a moral sense, it is a crime and outrage so atrocious that it should be honestly, courageously and thoroughly investigated. It is your business as a legal body organized to inquire into all criminal offenses, to get at all the facts, sift the evidence, hunt out the guilty parties, whether they be high or low, Democrat or Republican. * * * * * Dismiss the idea that there is anything partisan or political in this investigation. Your political opinions, whatever they may be. can have nothing to do with your work in the jury-room. Yours is to be a legal investigation, impartially conducted. It is simply a plain old-fashioned case of hunting down criminals, and you are a part of the machinery of the law organized for that purpose "

KICK THEM OUT.

A report from Washington is to the effect that there are hundreds of department clerks who, because of the approaching Cleveland regime, are busy and fertile in effort to withdraw their previously obtained Republican indorsements from the files, in order to "stand in" with the Democratic administration and be continued in their "soft places" as they had planned to be in the event of Harrison's election. Most of these fawning sycophants are filling places not protected by the civil service law, hence feel the necessity of "toting sweet" with the firm of Cleveland and Stevenson, in order that their heads shall not go in the basket, as Washington is a very nice place to live in. We hope that Cleveland will get his weather eye open, and compel every last one of them to walk the plank and that quickly. Such political leaches are of no service or honor to either party, and as fast as detected ought to be "turned down" without recourse. Kick them out!

WHOEVER has charge of the "scheme" or what you will, to induce the Negro of the United States to imigrate to Brazil will be unable to deliver the goods. The Negro will not go. He was born here, this is his home, his fatherland, and here he will stay and work out his destiny, such as it shall be, heedless of earth's most enticing spots, or alluring inducements. But if there's a spot on the green earth which more than any other aproximates nearer to what might be a Negro paradise, that country is Brazil. From all accounts Byron's exquisite description of the "clime of the East," could have been written of our own Southern Republic, the proposed retreat for the Negro of the United States, with the added worth of being a very authentic picture. Here it is:

"Know ye the land where the cypress and myrtle
Are emblems of deeds that are done in their clime?
Where the rage of the vulture, the love of the turtle,
Now melt into sorrow, now madden to crime?
Know ye the land of the cedar and vine,
Where the flowers ever blossom, the beams ever shine;
Where the light wings of zephyr, oppressed with perfume,
Wax faint o'er the gardens of Gul in her bloom;
Where the citron and olive are fairest of fruit,
And the voice of the nightingale never is mute;
Where the tints of the earth, and the hues of the sky,
In color though varied, in beauty may vie,
And the purple of ocean is deepest in dye;
Where the virgins are soft as the roses they twine,
And all, save the spirit of man, is divine?"

So, so, our uncle Isaac Pusy Gray must take a back seat, must he, until the fine haired young and progressive leaders of Indiana Democracy are first placated and "fixed" in good fat places? So, so! And at the best, he is to be given, if anything, some second or third rate foreign mission, that will take him away from the pulse and touch of affairs at home, while Messrs. Morss and Shanklin run things to their sweet satisfaction and future gain in the Hoosier Commonwealth? We shall see; we shall see. We very much mistake the stuff that's in your uncle Isaac's marrow if he stands still, hands down, and allows such carpet-dude warriors as Shanklin and Morss to "sandbag" him without a kick.

A SPIRIT VOICE.

Pale in the pallid moonlight,
White as the rose on her breast,
She stood in the fair rose garden,
With her shy young love confest.

She stood there, stately and slender,
Gold hair on her shoulders shed;
Clothed all in white, like the visions
When the living behold the dead.

There, with her lover beside her,
With life and with love she thrilled;
What mattered the world's wide sorrow
To her with her joy fulfilled?

Next year in the fair rose garden
He waited alone and dumb,
If perchance from the silent country
The soul of the dead would come.

To comfort the living and loving,
With the ghost of a lost delight
And thrill into quivering welcome
The desolate brooding night;

Till softly a wind in the distance,
Began to blow and blow;
The moon bent nearer and nearer,
And solemn, and sweet, and low

Came a wonderful rapture of music
That turned to her voice at last;
Then a cold, soft touch on his forehead,
Like the breath of the wind that passed.

Like the breath of the wind she touched him,
Thin was her voice and cold,
And something that seemed like a shadow
Slipped through his feverish hold.

But the voice had said, 'I love you
With my first love and my last;'
Then again that wonderful music,
And he knew that her soul had passed.

NOW THE "fiend" is declaring that president-elect Cleveland and Senator Hill are drifting apart once more.

COMES again the report that Cleveland is really anxious for an extra session of Congress during the early Autumn.

THIS man, the Rev. Dr. Parkhurst, of New York City, just now in a wordy war with Superintendent of Police Byrnes, of that same city, is a dead crank on general principles, and for that reason vitiates every good reform that he urges.

JUDGE GRESHAM's decision relative to the Inter-State law, to wit: that the Inter-state Commerce Commission is an administrative and not a judicial body, if permitted to stand, will knock the bottom out of the usefulness of the same, for the purpose for which it was created.

LET no stone be untured to detect and punish the vandals who desecrated the soldiers' graves in Morgan county, this state. Such barbarians should have lived in the "dark ages," and when apprehended their punishment should be full and commensurate with the darkness of their crime.

MR. HARRISON's last message reads like the half defiant, half surprised wail that a man might utter in the "ring" who had been knocked "silly" in a most unexpected time and manner, and who, looking in a half-dazed way at his disapointed backers, would give the world, if he could occupy the place in their pride and confidence that was his but a moment before.

THE glee with which the Indianapolis Journal delights to echo the prediction, that Cleveland will disappoint his party in the matter of free trade, free silver and state bank currency looks suspiciously as though the Journal's prediction was the offspring of its hopes. Nevertheless, we would not be surprised if the Journal's prognostications would prove correct, and the country be treated to the biggest Demcratic schism of the decade before Grover's term is half over.

THE cat will mew, the dog will have his day." The incident of those Negroes in Dingisstown, W. Va., compelling twenty-five Italians who happened along that section to work for days without recompense at the muzzle of the revolver, is the latest race substansiation of the bard's famous couplet. Meaness and the disposition to indulge in pure cussedness is neither confined to race lines or periods. We have been told, and read, that during slavery days, the meanest and cruelest overseer and slave driver, was the black one, himself a slave, and through the whim of the master temporarily promoted.

WITHIN the fewest of weeks the Indiana Legislature will convene, the solitary colored member and all, for which let us return thanks, and lawmakers will be as thick in the Capital City as katy-dids on a summer twilight. As the Journal well says, "there are many things which the incoming Legislature should do, * * * but no one of these can be more important than the tearing up, root and branch, of the present method of managing the insane hospitals." These great State institutions should not be the prey of political buccaneers of either party, but should be controlled and managed only in the interests of the humanitarian ends for which the State endows them. Philanthropists in soul, good and experienced men and women only should be placed at their head, and the appointing power should be given back to the Governor of the State, and there remain.

ABOUT AND TO US.

The Freeman's frivolousness is a matter of astonishment to many of its well-wishers. From a perusal of its columns, it is exceedingly difficult to determine whether its editor is pleased or disappointed over the outcome of the election,—whether he was sincerely a Republican, Democrat, Populist, mugwump or snologaster. The Freeman's place is in the front rank. Drivel on its pages is threatening to consign it to a greatly inferior position to that held by the leaders in race journals.—The Statesman.

My, what a dumb fellow our esteemed contemporary is anyhow, "who'd a thunk it?" Will he forgive us, being modest, if we allow a man, by name Frederick Douglass, sometimes spoken of as the "Sage of Anacostia," to enlighten his dear little head relative to THE FREEMAN's "frivolousness" and what it thinks of the outcome of the election.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—I find welcome support in your wise and faithful diagnoses of the late illness of the Republican party. * * * * * I am glad you are talking on the subject. The time is ripe for faithful dealing. Let the whole truth be told. I look to your press for able presentation of the truth without compromise, concealment, fear or favor. I am sure I shall not be disappointed. I took up my pen simply to thank you for your wise and brave words under the caption, "Will the Republican Party Heed this Lesson."

Very Truly Yours,
FREDERICK DOUGLASS,
Cedar Hill, Anacostia, D. C.

Nov. 21st, '92.

Editor of The Statesman? Yes. Dear little soul.

The Indianapolis Freeman comes to our table brighter and brighter each week, with perfect cuts of prominent Negroes. It is a most attractive feature in Negro journalism. A few short years remain before it will be the equal of any illustrated newspaper in the country. Its editorials are choice and convincing. We predict a great future for the illustrated Freeman. Its portraits in its issue of Dec. 3 are master productions of the Hons. Messrs. Cuny, Bruce, Lynch and Hill. They could be no finer produced by the Frank Leslie's or the Harper's, than is produced in this paper The friends of these distinguished gentlemen must acknowledge the same.—Colorado Exponent.

Thanks, brother, thanks! Some newspapers, like men, are too great for contemporaries to speak the truth of, and especially has it been the case with THE FREEMAN. Envy, jealousy, a sense of insignifficance when compared to THE FREEMAN, has robbed us of many a kind word from our contemporaries, which, if we did not know they were being eaten up with green and livid jealousy, might cause us to feel sad indeed. What the Exponent is manly enough to admit, and so gracefully, there is not a so-called "great" race paper in the land but that is equally aware of. Should THE FREEMAN be blamed or praised, because the excellence of its artistic work and general make up has taken it away from comparison with race journals, and placed it beside such really great journals as Harper's Weekly and Frank Leslie's?

We wish The Freeman and the New York Age, the two leading Negro journals published for the elevation of the race in every particular, will please explain why they advertise in their columns soothsayers, clairvoyants, quack doctors, etc. Our people believe too much now in such nonsense; besides, they are too poor to spend their money in that direction, and our papers ought to be too intelligent to place such things before them.—Free Speech.

Fair question, fairly put, barring, perhaps, the somewhat hasty reflection. Speaking for THE FREEMAN, it has never urged "our people" to spend their money other than wisely and well. THE FREEMAN is a race champion, devoted at all times to the service of the race, but it is also a business venture, and as such is not impervious to the demands or the force of competition along the lines of business; see? The "soothsayer," "clairvoyant," etc., ye shall have always with you; they came in with the stars when the world was young, and when ye shall not hear from them, will be just after Gabriel has blown his horn, and the world is burnt up like a scroll We differ from our esteemed contemporary when he says "our people," ergo the race, believe to any extent in "such nonsense." Let him not confound the race with the few of the same who may. The race, the great Negro family, is all right, and defies the soothsayer and his acts.

BISMARCK is still the idol of the German people. In a recent jaunt from Varzin to Friedrichsruhe, he was given an ovation all along the route quite worthy a "King of men." A cable says at Stettin station, in Berlin, he received from a group of ladies a bunch of chrysanthemums. He said: "They are not very pretty. They have no perfume." The crowds cheered at every stop made by the train. Many shouted, "Come to the Reichstag!" "Wait a little," Bismarck answered. At the Lehrter station the Prince was met by cheers upon cheers, and several titled ladies gave him more flowers. He remarked: "These are beautiful—much finer than these new flowers which have no perfume." After the Prince had returned from luncheon everybody on the platform began shouting: "Come back to the Reichstag." Bismarck leaned out the window and said "If one has served the State for fifty-five years he has done his duty. I will——" here the whistle drowned the Prince's voice and the train moved out with the crowd cheering, and Bismarck bowed his acknowledgement from the window. The world moves, the divine right of Kings is a fleeing phantom along the shores of "have been." In the days of the great Frederick and before, only the King, in fact, would have been permitted such ovations. The head of a dethroned favorite like Bismarck was only safe by keeping a very still mouth, and living a life of extreme retirement.

DID YOU SEE THIS.

We desire to call once more the attention of readers to our great premium offer of books and presents especially selected for the holiday season. Have you a dear friend that is expecting you to "remember" him or her when the Christmas tide comes, how could you spend $2.40 to better advantage than by allowing us to help you out of your dilemma? REMEMBER for that amount we will send THE FREEMAN to any address you may name for one year, and ANY FOUR HOLIDAY BOOKS THAT YOU MAY SELECT from our unique list. Don't let this opportunity get away from you. One of the most charming presents that you could make, a "thing of beauty and joy forever," is our wonderful, most wonderful, "Takiv!" What is Takiv? Well it is a Camera, the complete outfit of which, "dry plates," "chemicals," etc, will cost you just $6 00. It will take your picture, your sweetheart's picture, or the picture of anything instantaneous. "Touch the trigger, it does the rest." If you would give a present to bring joy to a whole household at once, send for Takiv! And there's Webster's great unabridged complete Lexicon and Dictionary, a library complete within itself. Have you one? No? Just think of it, we are prepared and will send you this great book in four volumes for the small sum of $1. For the sake of your family, of your bright boy and girl, who sometimes expects to make a stir in the world, don't wait a day before you send your order in.

JUST now the great and absorbing questions are what will be the composition of Mr. Cleveland's cabinet, and will there be an extra session of Congress. Mr. Fairchild is talked of for Secretary of the Treasury while Mr. Harrity's name is sometimes mentioned for Post Master General. The ex-Minister to England under Cleveland's first term, Hon. E. J. Phelps, is begining to be mentioned for the State Department, as a sop to the claims of New England, as is the name of the Hon. Patrick Collins, of Boston,, for the Attorney-Generalship. From the middle West comes "a still small voice" sounding a slogan for "Horizontal Bill" Morrison's claims on a chair in the cabinet circle, although it would seem that Illinois should be contented with the Vice Presidency. The Badger State is also in the ring, and offers the names of the Hon. E. C. Wall and the Hon. John L. Mitchell, Chairmen respectively of the State and and campaign committees. From the far off "Occident" comes also the claim of the "faithful," while the South, when was it ever known to be left by a Democratic administration? The signs are that a very pronounced effort will be made, barring the co-operation of the "Great Objector" to force Grover the Nimrod, to call an extra session of Congress. Upon the whole, the indications are that when the fun commences it will be fast and furious, a whole bushel of it. Wait and see.

THE Negro within the last quarter century has spent much strength and zeal in the endeavor to solve the problem of his future through the winding channel of politics, how would it do therefore for him to take a change of of tack? From seeking to be a politician and with the politician stand let him seek to be a business man and with the business man go up. "Trade the calm health of nations," has never been much augmented or swollen, and for a good reason, by the Negro. The great empire of manufacture is virgin from his touch. Against them both, let him from this off direct his attention and weary not until he has pierced their charmed circles, and is employed and given a chance to put money in his purse, for the same reason that white men are, viz' his willingness and qualification to do what is required of him. It is a monstrous crime that the color of a human being should be against him in an effort to obtain bread and meat, but as long as the victim remains passive under the wrong when shall he ever hope to be emancipated from the same?

THE funeral baked meats, did coldly furnish forth the weeding feast." Harrison, if he does not in the lurid metaphor of Watterson, "go through a slaughter house to an open grave" on the 4th of March, at least steps out and down, while Cleveland steps in and up, and thereby, strange as it may seem, is based much of unhappiness and recrimination in certain elements of the Democratic legion located and living in and about the capital of the nation. Of the forty and four different elements of Democracy in the "City of Magnificent Distances," burning question of the hour is, which of these elements shall be given the honor of conducting the inaugural exercises. The latest report from the seat of contention was that National Chairman Harrity had been sent for from the 'Quaker City" to scatter oil upon the troubled waters.

MR. CHARLES A. DANA, editor of the New York Sun, is being boomed by the New York Herald for Senator from the Empire State. The "Nestor of the American press" furnished the Democrats with their best weapon, and the "lily livered" Republicans, afraid of their shadow, with their biggest scare during the late campaign in the shape of his force bill fake, and should certainly be rewarded for his effective work. The Republicans of New York spoiled a great lawyer to make a poor, "dem poor, sah," Senator when they dragged Wm. M. Evart from his law cases and sent him to Washington to doze away six years of his life among the "Nestors" of the Senate chamber, and we expect the Democrats would be committing the same crime by taking editor Dana away from his editorial den and sanctum, to make, what might turn out to be a one-horse Senator at Washington.

THERE seems to be no longer any doubt but that Speaker Crisp will have to fight, and hard, to be retained in the speaker's chair by the next Congress. Representative Wilson, of West Virginia, is the man decided upon as likely to be a more tractable tool in the hands of the free trade, free silver and state money wing of the party. On with the fight, let the plot thicken, whichever way the Democratic cat jumps, will in the end redown to Republican hopes.

EDITOR'S TALK.

Christmas is coming; begin at once to make preparations for our holiday edition.

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Agents coin money by handling The Freeman. If you do not believe it, try it.

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Contributed articles will be received up to and including December 17th for the holiday number.

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No orders for the Christmas issue will be entered later than Monday, Dec. 19th. Agents will bear this in mind.

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Agents will favor us by sending the names and addresses of the ministers and teachers in their city, county and state.

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Write for sample copies of The Freeman, the largest and ablest Afro-American newspaper published; enclose in your letter 2 two-cent stamps.

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Elegantly illustrated, pointed in news, reliable, a race paper in every respect, brim-full of facts from the four corners of the earth; what more could be asked?

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Contrary to custom the holiday number of The Freeman will reach you Christmas which is much better than the old custom of being delivered a week or ten days before.

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The Freeman Dec. 24th will, undoubtedly, be the greatest effort of Negro journalism; it will be complete in every department, illustrated lavishly, a literary reflex of the race's best mind.

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The Freeman's Hotel Directory is now reopened, Agents are requested to see the proprietors of hotels and boarding houses looking toward the placing of their advertisement. Write for terms.

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For better facilitating the large business anticipated for our Great Holiday Edition a large, special order book has been secured. In this book will be enter the orders of our agents just as they are sent to us; first come, first served, shall be the motto

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Sixteen pages of the choicest matter illumined by the bright countenances of leading men and women, by the hands of picked artists, The Freeman's holiday number will be the most gorgeous in the pageantry of Afro-American journalism. The muses will be courted, the facts of history will be presented in fascinating language; science, literature, social problems, religious and political discussions all will be treated by master hands. Remember the date, Nov. 24th.

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We wish a large number of new subscribers, and every old subscriber to send in $1.50.

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Agents, always specify when sending subscribers in clubs or singles whether or not the subscriber is a new one or a renewal. This is imperative; much trouble will be avoided if this request is carried out.

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Please call the attention of our friends to the great reduction in the price of The Freeman. One dollar and fifty cents a year for the greatest of Afro-American journals.

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The Freeman will be very much improved the coming year. Agents must talk to the people about this matter; we have no doubt but what they will

see at once the importance of becoming subscribers.

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Agents will please notice as to the date we close orders for our holiday number. Many agents are making every preparation to double their regular orders. We expect a very large run for this number.

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We want every agent to send in next week amounts varying from $1 00 to $5.00. Make it a point to send in at least $1.00 by the first of next week In order to make our holiday number a success we must have the co operation of every agent and friend.

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The holiday number will contain more portraits and illustrations than any paper that has ever been issued by colored men. These portraits will be largely of new faces; prominent people who have never as yet appeared before our readers, This is a great argument in presenting the paper to the customers and agents will make a note of it.

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Our club rates will prevail during the $1.50 reduced rate. Clubs of ten and twenty ought to be formed at once. In every community agents must look to this; begin at once the formation of a club. One dollar and twenty-five cents is the prevailing price for ten, twenty or fifty names sent at one order.

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No Negro journal has ever been published that has in any measure equaled the merits of The Freeman; ok has been a marvel of success, a phenomenon in this age of phenomenal. The poor, the rich, the young and the old have looked on with amazement at the very marked and rapid progress. This must be continued; no backward step must be taken through undue indifference of the race. Now is the time to renew; now is the time to call the attention of your friends to our worth; talk it on the streets and from the pulpit.

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Remember that you must not order more papers than you will actually need. The likelihood is we shall charge to every agent the entire number of papers sent; that is; we can not afford to have papers returned to us on this occasion; mark this. We hold you accountable for every paper ordered. There must be no returned papers because we are making very expensive preparations for this number and can not afford to send papers without expectation of having the cash for the same; in other words we cannot take any risk. There must be no haphazard business conducted on the part of our agents; let your customers understand that it must be a spot cash delivery.

The Rosette Entertainment.

Fayetteville, Ark., Special.

Thanksgiving day at this place passed off lovely. The "Rosette" entertainment at the church at night was one of the grandest occasions of the season. The programme was grand. Misses Mary Smith, Cora Patterson, Jennie McCullough, Susie Pettigan, Messrs. G. H. Hill, Geo. Kidd, Fred Carr and Riley Boles participated. S. McDowell, of Philander Smith College, Little Rock, was in the city last week. The K. of T. gave an entertainment last Thursday night Miss Mary Cole and Alexander Robinson were united in wedlock Nov 26th. Rev. Seth Neal officiated. Let every colored man in Fayetteville that has any race pride about him subscribe for The Freeman, the greatest Negro journal in existence. Rev. W. A. Morris, P. E. of Little Rock District, held his 4th Quarterly Conference here Nov. 20th, 1892 Bro. Morris is a thorough going Christian gentleman.

Preached His First Sermon—The Batchelor's Club.

Forest City, Ark.

The Rev. Lewis of the A. M. E. church preached his introductory sermon last Sunday at 11:00 o'clock a. m. to quite an appreciative audience. He is a very able young man. Dr. E. C. Morris, of Helena, and President Joseph A. Booker, of the Arkansas Baptist College, assisted Rev. J. M. Harris, of the First Baptist church with the dedicatorial exercises. The members of the Baptist church were rejoicing because they have succeeded in paying their church out of debt; but before another Sabbath had closed their joy was turned into sorrow. Their beloved pastor, Rev. J. M. Harris, tendered them his resignation to accept a call of the Baptist church at Texarkana, Arkansas. Rev. J. M. Suggs was elected pastor to succeed him, John F. Hodges, led Miss Renetta Dunn, of Mississippi, to the matrimonial altar, on Thanksgiving day. Both of the contracting parties are well educated and of the first circles of society. An informal reception was given in honor of the bride and groom at Mrs. Fannie Hodges's residence. Since Mr. Hodges has broken the Bachelor's club, dame rumor has it that three more of the club and one of the old maids will go and do likewise shortly. Miss Virgie B. Blackborn returned home last night from the Bluff City, after a sojourn there for several weeks. Messrs. S. A. Brown, H. S. Graves, and O. L. Moody all of this city joined the annual conference of the A. M. E. church. They obtained first class appointments for their first year's work, W. E. Duncan and Prof. H. P Strong were initiated into the mysteries of FreeMasonary last month. A first-class music teacher who can teach both vocal and instrumental music and act as assistant teacher in day school can get $50 per month for four months by addressing A. N, H., Box 11, Forest City, Ark. The Freeman can be found at all times at A. W. Sugg's barber shop

Prepare for Emergencies.

There are many things for which we have no calendar. There are always the unforseen things, known to be possible but not anticipated and provided for. There are also the things which were not thought of as possible, the emergencies in which the course to be taken must be determined at the time, without previous experience or training. But there is a preparation that is effective in the cultivation of broad views, in extensive knowledge of the experience of others, and in the training of the mind to cool judgment and the ready command of all its resources. There may be an accumulation of knowledge, from which the mind can draw at will. There may be formed the habit of not being surprised at anything that comes to pass; there may be the resoluteness of will that commands the immediate obedience of all the faculties and energies. Emergencies are a severe test of character and qualification. Sometimes they are like the flash-light which reveals most vividly what in the ordinary light is not seen. They show the resources of the person, and the qualification for delicate and difficult work. One who is dazed by unexpected difficulties, who is unfruitful of resource in emergencies, who is paralyzed in the presence of danger, is not qualified for any great work, and can not even pass through life with reasonable comfort. That which is called greatness lies largely in the power to meet emergencies. The usefulness of life, especially, depends upon the ability to adapt oneself to circumstances, and to do the best that is possible under the conditions for which there was not direct preparation. Emergencies are a fixed part of life. We live in a system that is greater than ourselves, we have to do with forces that are unknown to us, we are in constant relation with others as free as ourselves, and whose lives are crossing ours at every point, or are woven in them. We therefore can not know how we will be affected by these relations. The unknown is the larger part of life, as the unseen is greater than the seen. Always live in readiness for the unexpected. The watchful one is not taken by urprise.—United Presbyterian.

On His Death-Bed a Bad Man Warns Susceptible Women.

The following remarkable dispatch has been sent out from Los Angelos, Cal: A stranger about 40 years old who committed suicide in a boarding house here left a remarkable letter in which he said that he was a member of one of the largest and most prominent families of this country, whose ancestors came from Jamestown. After confessing to having committed murder, the writer says:

"During a period of about twenty-one years I have been married to thirteen different women. In every case, except the first, my sole motive was to secure money, not love nor affection. I have three children by the first, and one by all the rest except three. One of the women to whom I have been married had $300,000 in her own right, three others had from $150, 000 to $200,000, and none of the others was worth less than $10,000.

"My rule generally was to live with my wife until I got the money in my control and then I was off for new fields to win another fair bride. I always had plenty of money and went in the best of style, and only operated in and among the aristocracy of the country. In this sphere my vain and giddy victims were easily captured, and it was often a case of love at first sight with them. I have some hesitation about leaving a statement, but for several reasons I have decided to do so.

"First, those around me, of course, know nothing of my intentions, and are perfectly innocent of what I am about to do, and this statement will relieve them of any suspicion. Secondly it may be a warning to some good women, who are too often ready to receive and entertain strange men of whom they know nothing more than that they wear a silk hat, display a big lot of diamonds and toy with a gold-headed cane. Beware of this class.

"Third, if these would-be detectives and officers of the law will pay more attention to the class of men whom I warn the women against, I can assure them that they will succeed in their business better. I have often seen a poor, dirty, and ragged tramp dragged to jail, whose only offense was to beg a quarter or a dime to buy a much needed meal, while perhaps half a dozen of the worst criminals in the country, like myself, were lookers on, but in the guise of gentlemen whom Mr. Officer would scarcely dare to look at, much less attempt to arrest."

Shakespeare's Lovers.

Emerson tells us that "all mankind love a lover." There is common every day proof enough that the saying is wise. The greatest of dramatists loved and faithfully pictured lovers, not forgetting to chide them gently and to laugh at them as all mankind also do. The plays of Shakespeare contain a throng of lovers, of whom he seems not over fond. He tells us that "all true lovers swear more performance than they are able;" that "a lover may bestride a gossamer that idles in the wanton summer air;" "at lovers' perjuries, they say, Jove laughs;" and, worst jibe of all, "that the oath of a lover is no stronger than the word of a tapster;" and other such asides, while the eternal business of love-making goes on in his drama very precisely as it goes on in the whole world. Shakespeare is not less wise in dealing objectively, for the greater part, with his lovers. We are only spectators, even when we listen to the endless monologue or dialogue of the love-smitten. The modern subjective love story is made wearisome by overmuch study of the moral inwards of the lovers. Shakespeare did not decline upon the psychologic analysis of human emotions, and, therefore, we see lovers in his plays as we see them in our own world, and this is the wholesome way of attending this everlasting spectacle. It is no small cause of the dignity love wears in our dramatist that his lovers are not often boys and girls. He has, so to speak, ripened a fruit which is hardly to be enjoyed when it is green. Indeed, he has scarcely given us one pair of lovers about whom we feel that "they are very young" and most of them present the appearance of mature manliness and womanliness. Of the men, excepting Orlando, the beloved of Rosalind, and the boy who runs off with Jessica, Shylock's daughter, we can not be far wrong in assuming that they have attained maturity. And to what mind do Imogen, Rosalind, Portia and Ophelia seem to be in their early girlhood? There is a comfortable sense of matronliness about all these women, and they are weighted, too, with character, a thing which Shakespeare thought highly appropriate in women.—Selected.

Stolen Victory.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Special.

The municipal election passed off quietly. The Democrats, by the gerrymander ward act, succeeded in electing a majority of the councilmen and will have the reins of the city government. Had the city been properly laid out into wards, the Republicans could have easily elected a majority. The Republicans are clamoring. The Gallatin Examiner of last week contained a notice of the marriage of Miss Laura A. White to B. Christian. Miss White is favorably know here, having visited her uncle, A. C. Banks. Sam Jones will be here January 1, '93, and will remain fifteen days. Services will be held at Ragsdale's warehouse, Mrs. Fannie Tyler, aged 57 years, died December 8th. She leaves many relative and friends. Kentucky is one of the two states in the union that have made no appropriation for an exhibit at the World's Fair. A child of Mr. and Mrs. Collins Berry was fatally burned a few days since The public school entertainment and the musical concert, under the direction of Prof. G H. Bell, of St. Louis, will be well attended. The former will be December 26th and 27th, and the latter will be on the 29th and 30th.

A Chance for Young Men

We want to secure the service of an honest sober, industrious young man to represent The Freeman in each of the following cities

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Do you live in one of these cities just named? Would you like to secure a good, permanent paying situation? The applicant must be a person of good habits. fair education and one who means business. The applicant should also send first class reference. We will guarantee from $40 to $80 per month to the right person if you want the position, write at once for full information and particulars

At Fisk University.

Nashvile, Tenn., Special.

The second Public rhetorical exercises of this school year, were held at the university Dec. 9th inst. in the presence of about five hundred people. The speakers entered headed by President E. M. Cravath, Profs. Herbert H. Wright, Henry S. Bennett, Helen C. Morgan and Misses Mabel Lampman, Emma Wolcott, Mary A. Bye, Dora A. Scribner, and Jennie A. Robinson. The Exercises were opened by Rev George W. Moore, a graduate of the college class of '81. After which Miss Benson gave the "Slumber Song." A paper, subject, "Foreign Immigration" by Charles O. Hadley of '96. The audience seemed interested. "The Tennessee Midland Railroad" an oration by T. G, Ewing He was well received. "Fatalism of Multitudes." was the subject of a paper read by Miss Martha C. Grisham of '93 "Fiction Reading and the Results" was a paper read by Miss Iola H. Terry of '93 The main thoughts were on the kind of books we should read. "Gladstone and the liberal party" was the subject of an oration by Louis George Gregory. The many interesting points were well received After this was a violin solo by Henry J. Bennett of '96. "Does Honesty Pay?" was the subject of the most interesting paper of the evening and the thoughts will long be in the memory of those who heard them. "Labor organizations" was the subject of an oration by Daniel Lawson of '95. "Alcibiades" was the subject of an oration by E. J. Davis of '65. "Concentration of Energy," the subject of a paper read by Miss Georgia P. William of '95. Song, "The King of the Air" by Mr. David Barnett of '95. "Independent Thinking" was the subject of an oration by Clinton J. Calloway of '95. "Some Traits of Irish Character" was the subject of a paper read by Miss Ella Thompson. "The Friends of Civilization" an oration by Leonard W. Lewis of '93, After this a jubilee song was sung by the Mozart semi chorus. The Athletic Association of Fisk held its annual election on the 3rd inst. and elected the following officers. President, Chas. W. Snyder, of Hartford, Conn.; vice-president, David Barnett, of Louisville, Ky.; corresponding secretary, Sammie W. Jefferson, of Jacksonville, Fla.; recording secretary, Edward F. Goin, of Birmingham, Ala; treasurer, Thomas B. Burnis of Booneville, Mo; and marshall, Lawyer E. Brown, of Memphis, Tenn.

Huntsville, Ala.

Elder Shaw of Birmingham occupied the pulpit at A. M. E. Church Sunday. David Hall of Decatur visited here recently. A. B. Jones is home from Memphis, Tenn. The social at Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Brandons Dec 8th was enjoyable. Percy McMullin, Todd Bynum, and Joe Boyd furnished music for the occasion. Rev. Duncan, pastor of A. M. E. church left for Annual Conference at Tuscumbia, Ala., Dec. 8th. Call on Walker Brothers, contractors for all kinds of paintings and wall papering. Alfred Clay and Mrs. Alice Smith are sick. Mr. and Mrs. Allen A. Carter rejoice over the arrival of a daughter. The Benevolent Society elected the following officers Dec. 8th for one term. Samuel Taylor, president; Henderson Hill, vice-president; Prof. W. L. Riley, secretary; Mrs. Charles Harris, treasurer. Thos. A. Douglass and Andy Hamlet have gone to Pass Christian, Miss. Henry Hampton and Maria Robinson married Dec. 8th. Allen Mosely, of Decatur visited here recently. Every person should read the best paper printed R. H. Pleasants, agent and correspondent from whom you can get the paper at the club rate $1.25.

Fayetteville, Ark.

The Freeman is considered by the intelligent white people of Fayetteville to be the best and largest Negro journal published. Dora Walker made his return from Ft. Smith Thursday morning Messrs VanWinkle and Walker run a first-class barbershop on Main street. They do a pretty good business. Wesley Peel, our restaurant man, gets a good trade from both white and colored. R. D Dunbar is doing a pretty good business in the grocery line. Miss Jennie McCullough will spend part of the Holidays in Carthage, Mo We have 150 colored voters in this town doesn't look reasonable that we should have one-third of them to subscribe for The Freeman.

No Bridesmaid.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

A wedding which will ever be cited as a leading social event was consummated at the Great Stone Baptist church, Tenth and Broadway streets, Tuesday night, November the 29th, at 9 o'clock. The principals were Miss Sallie Whitley and Martin Milliken, both of this city. The prominence of the bride and groom made the marriage more notable. Invitations had been issued to 150 guests, nearly all of whom responded. The church decorations attracted much attention. Mrs. W. H. Steward presided at the organ. The bridal party came up the centre aisle; the bride leaning on the arm of W. B. Noten, the groom's best man, followed by the groom and A. P. Stern, also groomsman. There were no bridesmaids. Rev. G. W. Scott, pastor of the church, used the beautiful service of the Baptist church. The responses were clear and distinct and when Rev. Scott invoked blessings upon the couple amens were heard all through the vast audience. The bride wore a white silk gown trimmed in white lace and wore a white tulle veil with a crown of flowers. She carried in her hand a large boquet of white flowers. On leaving the church the bridal party repaired to the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. P. H. Cunningham, where amidst many congratulations and best wishes for a bright and happy future, they were entertained in a handsome manner. The rooms were beautifully decorated with flowers which had been selected for the occasion. Refreshments and music lent to the occasion till 12:30 o'clock and this part of the happy event was in all respect most elegant

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car and had to sit on trunks and other baggage for 100 miles or more.

The dedication of the remodeled Methodist church, took place in St. Louis last week with many to witness the ceremony. The exercises in conjunction with the dedication lasted a week. The church is the Washington Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion, on Morgan near Jefferson avenue. Bishop A. Walters, of New York preached the opening sermon.

The Masonics of the state of Mississippi held their grand session at Friar's Point, Miss. It lasted nearly a week. Their important work was to build a temple at a point not yet settled. The session was closed with installation of officers and speaking at the court house. Several papers were read in behalf of the grand affair. Miss Cora Flogg read a very interesting paper, followed by Misses Ednar Parks and Lillian Lewis. After the adjournment of the session a grand banquet was spread in the church, Prof. D. D. W. Amp's brass and string band of Helena furnished music for the affair.

Carthage, Mo.

The Union League literary society re-opened with twenty-five members. The speakers of the evening were Miss Sarah Grammar, Mrs. Annie Stemmons. Messrs. G. W. Patterson, H. H. Tidwell, R. A. Byrd, N. A. Grammer and W. L. Blake. Our colored store is about to go into bankruptcy. The new store on North Main street, owned by Messrs. John Scott and Kirby, is doing good business. When will our race patronize one another? Mrs. Hogans took a pleasant trip to Kansas City, Kan., recently. N. T. Green, of Joplin, was in the city on the 3rd. inst, Mrs. Lillie Pemberton, a reader of The Freeman, has been sick.

Richland Center, Pa.

C. H. Jones general contractor and proprietor of Richland Center granite works, has accomplished his contract for the year in furnishing curb and other dimension stone to that city, it being done to the satisfaction of the citizens in general. He will leave in a few days to spend a while at his birth place, Beaufort, N. C. Mr. Jones was in 1888 awarded the contract for curbing and flagging the city of Richmond, Va. His cut and a sketch of his life will appear in the holiday issue of The Freeman.

RETURNED A CORPSE.

RUMORED WEDDING—CHURCH, LODGE AND SOCIETY NOTES.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Sherman Boone, formerly connected with one of our weekly sheets here, has accepted a position in the Kelley Ax Factory. Richard, son of George Brown, was brought home last Saturday a corpse from Detroit, Mich. He had been ill for a number of weeks. His funeral took place from the 5th avenue Baptist church last Monday afternoon. Rev. John H. Frank officiated. It is rumored that S. B Taylor, principal of the East Main St. school, will lead to the altar, during the Christmas holidays, Miss Ellen Bullock, who is also aspiring for a principalship. Among our city enterprises, the U. B. F. and S. M. T. is doing a large business here and throughout the country. Regalias, pins, etc., lowest prices. Special prices for Christmas. Office of THE FREEMAN, 1430 W. Stone street, Louisville, Ky., W. G. Moore, manager. C. F. Adams, manager and editor of the Chicago Appeal, was in the city last week. Rev. T. M. Faulkner is conducting a revival at the Portland Church Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scott have a boy. David Mackly is in the city. J. J. Thomas has returned from Clinton, Ky., where he taught school. Rev. C. C. Smothers has returned to Versailles, Ky. Mrs. C. T. Jones will make Henderson, Ky., her future home. Mrs. Mary Howard has returned from a visit to Midway, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bibb have a fine boy. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pullum have returned from Frankfort, Ky., where they attended the funeral of his brother. Perry P. Wesbitt has returned to his home at Story, Ga. Mrs. Emma Anderson, nee Jamison, of Georgetown, Ky., is in the city. Mrs. C. R. McDowell, of Independence, Mo., will spend the winter here. Lincoln Miles, one of our old Louisville boys, is here from New York city. The Rainbow social at Knox Presbyterian church, Dec. 19th, offers the following local talent: Miss L. M. Gibson, Florence L Birney, Maggie Lee, Mrs. E Skillman, I. L. Garnett. Mrs. E. S Porter and the State University Quartette. Rev. C. P. M. Bigbee, of Chicago, is in the city. The last meeting of the Teachers' Institute for the year was held at the Central High School, Saturday, Dec. 3rd. The following persons took part: Prof. R. S. Wilkinson, of the State University, "Basis of Ethics;" Rev. A. C. Brown, of Our Merciful Savior Church, "Ethical Teaching of the Church;" Prof. I. M. Maxwell, "Ethical Teaching of the Public Schools;" Mrs. Wm. H. Steward, "Ethical Teaching of the Home;" Prof. A. J. Bell, Instrumental Solo. A University extension course was introduced, which will doubtless be accepted and the lectures be in February, 1893. The Saturday Evening club has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Pres., W. H. Perry; Vice-pres., C. F. Snead; Sec'y, J. P. Jelton; Treas., W. W. Dean. The Y. M. C. A. met at Center St. C. M. E. church last Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. M. Manly, of Knoxville, Tenn., is in the city.

O'Possum Supper.

Birmingham, Ala., Special.

K. of P. Iron City Lodge No. 3, Eureka Lodge No. 21 and St. Luke Lodge No. 23 will give a grand union entertainment at Union Hall, Thursday night, Dec. 22nd. Refreshments of all kinds served. There will also be a pig and o,possum barbecue. Committee, W. S. Robinson, P. H. Hill, L. H. Worthy, E. Lee, R. W. Page, C. N. Garland, Catherine Dean, Martha Page Queen Kenley, and Carnie Coachman. General managers, S. H. Johnson, J. W. Sampson, J. W. Duncan, W. J. Harris. Admission, 15c. Couple, 25c.

Mr. Harvy Hall has been very ill but is improving.

Wm Simms and Henry Moore, Jr. were over from Clifton.

There was a marriage at the 6th. ave Baptist Church, Sunday evening Dec. 8th. Rev. J. W. White officiated.

But Mr. Baley Palmer was out of sight. Alex Hart is building a two story addition to his house, S. Ave. F.

The 6th. Avenue Baptist Church south, gave a leap year entertainment on the 6th, inst. They realized $29.70

The Freeman can be found at 1908 4th Avenue North, at Morgan and Jamison's and at the office of William Evans,

I want to secure four good boys to sell the Christmas issue of the paper. Wm. Evans, agent, 1908 4th. ave. Birmingham.

The entertainment given by the A. M. E. Zion Church was a success. The sum realized was $44.00; Rev. H. T. Warner, pastor.

The U. B. F. Lodge No. 84 gave a grand entertainment at the Union Hall 2nd. ave. between 18th and 19th streets Friday evening, Dec. 16.

Eureka is at the head of the leading Lodges of the State. Come out everybody and help us in our effort to do good to our Nation and to build up the Fraternity of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence, thanking you for your patronage.

Rev. T. W. Walker, undertaker, keeps on hand first class cases, hacks and a hearse. Will furnish them cheaper than any house in the city. Give us a trial. Rev. T. W. Walker, prop. B. W. Williamson, Gen. Manager. 109 North 18th st.

THE BAPTIST MINISTERS' MEETING.

Discuss Sunday Funerals.

This body met at the Second Baptist church Dec, 11th 1892. Rev. C. F. Williams in the chair; Rev, W. H. Chambers, secretary pro tempore; reading, Rev. Williams; prayer, Rev. Wilson. Reports of ministers:

South Cavalry Baptist Church—Sunday-school attendance 50; collection 96c. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. by pastor, Rev. C. F. Williams; collection $15.09.

Tabernacle Baptist Church—Sunday-school attendance 45; collection 50c. The Lord's Supper at 4:00 p. m., assisted by Rev J. W. Carr. Rev. John A. Preston baptised one; collection $28.50. Rev. Wilson pastor.

Second Baptist—Sunday.school attendance 126; collection $2,10; pastor preached at 11.00 a. m.; Rev. Dr. Manley preached at 8:00 p. m.; collection $69.05.

The Ninth Presbyterian—Sunday-school at 2:30 p. m., attendance 84; collection $1.39; preaching at 11:00 a. m. by Rev, J. A. Pollock, at 7:20 by pastor, Rev. C. A. Williams; collection $3.85.

Belmont Baptist Church—Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 11:00 a. m. and at 7:30 by J. R. Rainer.

Antioch Baptist Church—Sunday-school 9:00 a. m.; collection $6.00 at 11:00 a. m. by Rev. Brown 3:00 p. m. by Rev. Whitesides; collection $45.00.

First Baptist Church—Preaching at 11:00 a. m. by F. Brock, at 2:00 p. m. Sunday-school; 7:20 by Rev. R. D. Leonard; collection $6.20. A paper was read as a petition from Board of managers from Crown Hill Cemetery relative to discontinuation of Sunday funerals, except in cases of necessity. The preachers and pastors of the various churches gave their views and some of them signed the paper.

Mt. Zion—Sunday-school at 9:00 a. m. attendance 82; collection $1.50; Pastor preached morning and evening. Additions two. Collection $48.40. B. Ferrell, Pastor.

Corrinthian Baptist Church. S. S. attendance, 50; collection $2.00. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by Pastor and Rev. Brookin. Collection, $19.60.

New Bethel S. S. Attendance 44; collection 47c. Speaking meeting at 11 a. m. Communion at 4 p. m. At 8 p. m. preaching by pastor. Collection $17.55.

St. James Baptist Church of Haughville, S.S. 10 a. m. Attendance 16; collection 5c. Covenant meeting at 11 a. m, communion at 3 p. m. preached by Rev. Ferrell, preaching at 8 p. m. by Rev. Duncan. Collection, $4.31.

The pastor of the most prominent church in Atlanta, Ga., put his congregation to a vote as to whether they desired to relent their boycott on the street railway of that city or further the fight for civil treatment, the latter intent was unanimously carried.

General News

Negro or Afro-American.

The correspondent from Danville, Va., in a recent issue of The Freeman, advanced the opinion that our race name should be Africans because our ancestors came from Africa.

Now, the ancestors of the Caucasians of the United States came from Europe and those of the Mongolians from Asia. Should they be named respectively Europeo-Americans and Asia-Americans? He asks: "If a man's ancestors came from Spain what would we call him?" A Spaniard to be sure. If from France a Frenchman; if from the United States an American. Citizens of the United States are Americans, of Hayti Haytians, of Mexico Mexican (regardless of color) so far as the national title is concerned. The race name is one thing and the national name is quite another.

Ethnologists have classified the human family under five different heads called races; this classification being based upon physical characteristics and not upon geographical location as the above named writer seems to think. Prichard and Latham, two distinguished English ethnologists, say: "The word Negro is not a national appellation, but denotes the ideal type, constituted by certain physical characteristics, which is exemplified in the natives of Guinea in West Africa and their decendenrs in America and the West Indies." Hence, according to this classification, it must be a race title.

The Danville correspondent thinks we should not be called Negroes because the word is from the Latin, niger, which means black, and our race is variously colored.

Now, the ancestral type was black; but from the typical Negro we have almost all gradations. Should our name be changed because of this accidental modification? I think not, I say with Rev. C. A. A. Taylor, in his article of Oct. 22 away with the ridiculous, meaningless, absurdity, Afro-American! It is ludicrous, as it is ridiculous to see some of our would-be orators embracing every oportunity to ring out the high sounding title Afro-American! But I do not agree with Brother Taylor when he says: "The word colored may mean anything or nothing," It cannot mean a white man or race; but it does mean a man or race of color and when applied to the Negro tells the whole truth. It is not a name, but merely a qualifying word used before the name people, expressed or understood. By retaining this form we are given variety of expression.

I think our race name is, and should be Negro, written with a capital N, as we are Negroes, and should be proud of the appellation, not for its own sake ("for what's in a name?") but because it represents a great people, an historic race of whose past history we have somewhat to regret and much to be proud of, and whose future is fraught with almost boundless possibilities. Ethiopia will yet stretch forth her hand.

The Negro State Teacher's Association of Illinois will convene in this place Dec. 30, 31. We are expecting a pleasant and profitable meeting. Rev. Jackson, pastor of A. M. E. Zion church, leaves to-day for a short stay in St. Louis. His church seems entering upon a new era of prosperity. Rev. Johnson of Carbondale filled the stand at the Freewill Baptist church last Sunday. McCabe and Young's ministrel troop performed at the opera house last Monday. F. A. KILLION.
Du Quoin, Ill.

Two Hearts That Beat as One,

Fort Smith, Ark.

Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock at the A. M. E. church occurred the marriage of Miss Eliza A. Stearns, a prominent citizen of this city, and Rev. J. C. Sherril, of Little Rock. The ceremony was performed by Prof. Mason, of Philander Smith College, Little Rock. The bride wore a cream Henrietta en traine with veil and orange blossoms. The groom wore the conventional black. The attendants were Alex Robinson, Miss Hattie Trotter, W. H. Kidd, Miss Veona Burney. G. A. Womball and Miss Ella McDavid. The bridesmaids were attired in blue nun's veiling, and carried boquets of chrysanthemums. The groomsmen were attired in full dress suits. The attendance was about 1,000. The reception was held at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. H. Ullery. The presents were many and useful. They left on November 1st for Little Rock. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hartford on the arrival of a son and heir.

Hon. John L. Waller.

The portraits of colored ministers and consels to foreign countries brought to me some recollections of Hon. John L. Waller as I knew him away back in the seventies, and I do not want the fact that he was an Iowa boy by adoption to be lost sight of. Mr. Waller is by birth a Missourian and passed his childhood days there. The rebellion gave to many the freedom of mind and body and he, with his parents, brothers and sisters, came to still freer Iowa and located at Toledo. His father gave his children what our institutions had deprived him of, an education. Mr. Waller was a diligent student and laid a good foundation. He afterward learned the barber's trade and removed to Mt. Vernon, Iowa, the principal seat of learning in the State. In the shadows of Cornell College he was seized with a thirst for more knowledge, and again removed to Cedar Rapids, where he entered upon the study of law in the office of Judge M. N. Hubbard, the chief attorney for the Chicago & Northwestern R. R., and was admitted to the bar in that county. He continued to avail himself of the use of Judge Hubbard's library for some time. He finally emigrated to the State of Kansas and entered into the practice of his chosen profession. He did not remain in seclusion as an attorney and was soon called to a membership on the school board in the city of Lawrence. He was next appointed Steward in the penitentiary at Lansing, and last he was made Sergeant at-arms of the Senate Mr. Waller is a good speaker and his voice was often heard proclaiming the Republican doctrine and the rights of his race. He had spoken from the same platform and on the same occasion with some of the ablest minds which Kansas has produced, among whom was the late Senator Plumb. Mr. Waller's parents left him a rich legacy in a kind heart, a willing hand and a laudable ambition. Mr. Waller met his prescent wife during her residence in Cedar Rapids. She is a woman of many admirable qualities and an incalculable helpmeet. T. E. Barton, who has held a position at Washington, D. C, for several years, came home to vote. He remained until after the election and heard something "drop." It is almost needless to say that he sent in his resignation to take effect immediately, and that his head will not be found in the official basket. Colored Democrats are being produced by an incubator, so there will be plenty from Iowa after positions. Lewis Washington and Miss Melissa Raimey were married in the A. M. E church on the evening of Nov. 30, Rev. Lewis officiating. They are well known and popular young people, and enjoy the confidence and esteem of all who know them. For a wonder, the "course of true love" is running along without a murmur and marriages are consummated at the rate of two for each of the past four months, and yet there are more to follow. CHARLES S. RUFF,
DesMoines, Ia.

Lodge Insurance.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Special.

The city election was held Dec. 10th. Important work is to be done by the incoming city council, the most important being the ward line work. At present the city wards are gerrymandered to the interest of the Democrats, while if the city was laid off in wards of equal size the Republicans would always have a majority on the board. The electric light plant here is financially embarrassed. The amount of indebtedness is more than $12,000. The local Lodge insurance question is gaining ground. Let all lodges take cognizance. All of the teachers were here last Saturday. Miss Lucy Buckner is rapidly convalescing. Don't forget to call at Banks' office or residence and secure a copy of The Freeman, only 5 cents. Prof. Geo. H. Bell, of St. Louis, Mo., will hold the boards at Friendship Hall, Dec. 29th and 30th, with a musical concert.

De Soto, Mo.

For the first time in its history De Soto went Democratic by a small majority. H. C. Bell, lately from New Orleans, has been employed at the De Soto House as chief cook, salary $100 per month. He is a young man of refinement and culture and a regular reader of The Freeman. W. L. Smith, another man of energy and brain employed at the Iron Mountain depot, has had his salary raised to $100 per month, Rev. H. L. Long is doing a great work for the A. M. E church. Nelson King, one of our successful farmers, has struck quite a valuable lead mine on his farm.

THE REASON WHY.

NON RECOGNITION OF THE YOUNG COLORED REPUBLICAN VOTERS.

Washington, D. C., Special

C. C, Stewart, a prominent young Republican, who originated the great movement among the young colored men of the country some time ago, is a medical student now in the celebrated medical school of Howard University. When asked his opinion as to the colored Republicans' attitude in the last election. He said: "For instance compare the treatment accorded the colored voter in the doubtful States by Harrison and Cleveland respectively. Illinois, New York, Indiana, Ohio and Massachusetts, where there are enough colored voters to turn the election either way they choose, were recognized by the appointment of a few colored men to paltry positions by Harrison, while Cleveland made good sound appointments of colored men from the States, and when the Senate refused to confirm one he pushed another. The bulk of the colored voters are tired of the administration recognizing the old so-called party leaders who were put forward by their "pull" with the administration who were aware of the dissatisfaction that existed among the colored people,—men of ignorance and inexperience keeping back the young, intelligent and progressive element of the race. The young colored men will watch intently the doings of the new administration, and if it does not act rashly by turning down colored men and by slaughtering office-holders, it is safe to predict that in '96 the Democratic party will have many colored men in its ranks, but if it acts rashly it will surely be digging its own political grave. I am now busy preparing plans for a major convention in the spring of '94 of the young business and professional men from every State to meet at a central point to consider things of vital importance to the race, and to effect more perfect organization." "How about your Republicanism?" I asked. "I am as good a Republican as ever. Party is not so much a figure of to-day, as the old issues are dead and simply a question of present issues, which issues, however, the Republicans seem unable to adjust to the interest of the Negro. What we want is some encouragement for the intelligent colored men who have grown up in the past thirty years. And a good man at the head of the Republican ticket in '96, who will give encouragement to this class of colored Republicans, will enable the Republican ticket to poll the full colored vote. All we can do now is to secure a more thorough organization and watch and wait. Every town and hamlet in the doubtful States will be organized by that time and a record kept of the votes and their occupation and residences, so that we can touch one key and set the whole machine in motion in the direction we want it to go." CHAS. S. DIXON.

Bowling Green, Ky.

Society here has been very brilliant for several weeks. Mrs. Sarah Loving entertained at her beautiful country home, Misses Lucile Harris, of Henderson; Lizzie Loving, Hannah Briggs, Lizzie Sweeney and Mattie Loving, Messrs. Hiram Dial, Horace Black, James Allen, T. Pope, Houston Cox and Willis Loving. The evening was spent most pleasantly. Rev. R. Mitchell and wife entertained a few friends Friday evening, complimentary to Miss Harris. Those present were Misses Harris, L. Loving, J. Ealey, of Russellville, and H. Briggs. Messrs. W. Smith and B. Smith, of Washington, D. C., and Chas. Wilson. The young socialist tendered a surprise party to Miss Lucile Harris, Monday evening, which was a grand affair. Miss Harris is a favorite of Bowling Greeen society and one of the most popular young ladies of the State. After spending a few days the guest of Miss Lizzie Loving, she left for her home. Mrs. Arthur Brown leaves for Cincinnati soon to join her husband, enroute to New York. The young men are making preparation for a grand banquet to be given during the holidays. Some of our young people attended the hop at Glascow, Thanksgiving.

Supposed Him Dead.

Gretna, La., Special.

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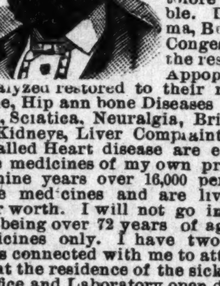

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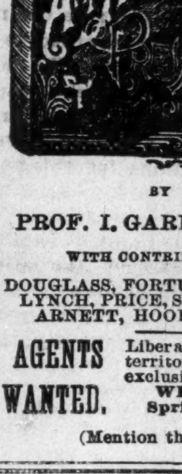

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A city paper states that the colored people's revenue to the Atlanta street railway averaged $700 per month.

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Many preachers in the South are urging their congregations to emigrate to Africa as the only solution to the race problem.

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Hon. Geo. W. Murray has been awarded a certificate of election from the Seventh Congressional District of South Carolina.

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John Phillips, of Allen county, Ind., killed Bud Green while Green was trying to open a window leading to his sister's room.

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Prince Momulu Massaquoi, at present in New York, has consented to visit New Haven, Conn., and Boston, Mass., before sailing for Africa.

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Mr. Chas. E. Harris and Mr. W. W. Ferguson, Afro-Americans, have been elected to the legislatures of Massachusetts and Michigan respectively.

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Grant Thomas and Nelson Lewis were hanged with two white murderers at Louisville, Ky., last Friday. Thomas protested his innocence to the last and was convicted on circumstantial evidence.

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At the recent city election in Chattanooga, Tenn., the only colored man elected to office was a colored man named Hirman Fyre, who had only one leg. If he had had two legs he would not have gotten there at all.

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The pastor of the most prominent church in Atlanta, Ga., put his congregation to a vote as to whether they desired to relent their boycott on the street railway of that city or further the fight for civil treatment, the latter intent was unanimously carried.

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Congressman Bingham, of Pennsylvania, laid before the House last week a petition of the Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, representing 4,000,000 colored people, in relation to the colored people at the World's Fair.

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At Greenwood, S. C., Nov. 26th, an inoffensive colored boy named Robert Tarraut was shot twice and instantly killed by an itinerant white photographer named Fuller. The trouble occurred at a "flying jenny" on the public square, and the killing is said to have been without the slightest provocation.

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White caps are driving Negroes off a number of plantations in Amite and portions of Lincoln and Franklin counties, Miss., and the determination is expressed by the white caps of driving off every one. The farmers are said to be in sympathy with the movement because it is alleged that the colored laborers depreciate the value of white labor.

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The wife of James Blackburn, a Franklin, Ky., man, left home and locked her two small children in the house, Some time afterward a passer-by heard screams and saw smoke issuing from the house. Breaking down the door he saw the two children wrapped in flames and beyond hope of help, When tbe parents reached the scene nothing but the charred remains were left.

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Henry P. White, of Kansas City, Kan., a member of the Board of Trade, has bought one thousand acres of land near that city on which he proposes to colonize all of the Negroes of the town into a self-supporting village. The colored element of Kansas City, Kan., is in a bad way, and with the coming of bad weather will be almost all dependent on the city. Houses will probably be put up at once and in the spring gardens will be set out. Forty thousand dollars have been subscribed.

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There is trouble brewing among the Methodists in Chattanooga, Tenn., and elsewhere in the South over the action of the Epworth League in regard to Negro members of that organization who may visit the Chicago exposition next year. Epworth League, being under jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, has been like that body divided into the white Epworth League and the black Epworth League. Recently they passed resolutions providing that all members of the Epworth League, regardless of color, sex, or geographical location, should occupy the same extensive quarters to be prepared at Chicago and to be known as the Epworth hotel. The idea seemed excellent, when considered from the standpoint of Christian brotherhood, but it has not been able to stand up against the deep-rooted race prejudice which exists all through the South.

Struck His Comrade.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Mrs. Tenie Lewis, of West Clay street, was married to Benjamin Howell on the 21st of last month. Luke Clark and family have moved from the rear of Odd Fellows' Hall to the new building on North 10th street. Mrs. M. G. Brooks has returned from a visit to her husband's people in Canton, Miss. Messrs. S. T. Winters and Alonzo Ashford have gone to Louisville, where they will enter upon their employment. Lewis Rucker, who has been away from the city for several months, at different cities, has returned. Miss Annie Matlock, who has been visiting her brother at Lexington, Ky., returned a few days since. Mrs. Elvira Hodge, who has been visiting in Louisville, Ky., came home a few days ago. Mrs. Williams, of Princeton, Ky., who called on Mrs. Low, of W. Madison street, has returned home. Thos. J. Sledd, of W. Washington street, has a position in Dawson's barber shop, corner of Adams and Eighth streets. Louis Watson, the colored painter, desires the public to consult him. When you want painting done, his residence is in the rear of Knights of Labor Hall. From all accounts Mr. Abraham has left the city. W. H. Bolen, the sawyer at Clement Bros.' saw mill, in Mechanicsburg, got a lick on the head from an awkward lick from his comrade. Miss Emma West is very sick. Elder Taylor, who has been sick for several weeks, mends slowly. Dave Lane is dangerously sick. Mollie Doyle is sick. Reuben Savage is on the river again at his trade. Lucinda Grundy, 1926 Court street, is always a little puny, but never fails to take The Freeman and pay for it. Ask for The Freeman. Miss Mary Polk, daughter of James K. Polk, has been sick for several days. George Dawson, the well known barber, situated corner 8th and Adams streets, asks the public to call and see him, and inquire for The Freeman. Geo. W. Melborne has moved to the country, but has The Freeman mailed to him, while he pays for it just the same. Mrs. Ambrose Connor, of South 7th street, seems to be very uneasy about The Freeman if it be a little late—uneasy because afraid she may miss a copy. The carpenters have taken off the old roof of the A. M. E. church, while the masons are building the walls higher. The trustees and congregation are expecting to improve the church to the amount of about three thousand dollars. James Bryant has commenced to build two dwellings on South 7th street, between Jackson and Adams streets, at a cost of eight hundred dollars. If you want to know, take The Freeman, for I am going to write up our city news in full, when enough subscribers take The Freeman.

Rockville, Ind

Rev. White is visiting his mother in Ohio. The Thanksgiving entertainment was a success. Emancipation Proclamation entertainment will be given in the opera house Jan. 2. Miss Katie Jones spent a week in Terre Haute visiting her friend, Miss Carrie Coleman. Many of our people are on the sick list, but none seriously. Rev. Smitn, of Richmond, is holding a series of meetings at the Baptist church. Miss Rebecca Gaskin, of Tennessee, visited her father. Her friend, Miss Miller, of Kentucky, accompanied her. Mrs. W. H. Jones spent Tuesday in Terre Haute. B. Holmes is spending a few days in Frankfort. The schools have one week and one day holiday. The Odd Fellows' Lodge and Household of Ruth of this place have decided to abandon. It is another case of lack of unity.

Reed-Robinson.

Harrodsburg, Ky., Special.

Henry Reed and Mrs. Sally Robinson were maried at the bride's home in the presence of a few friends, Rev. J. W. Frazier officiating, after which they were driven to their future home in Reedtown. The meeting at St. Peter A. M. E. church in this city during the past week has been largely attended. Rev. E. Wilson, of Richmond, by the illness of his little infant, was compelled to go home Saturday, which he found dead.

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Born on Dec. 5th to Julius R. and Georgia Caldwell Cox a boy.

The friends of Mrs. Harriet Carter are alarmed at her failing health.

Mr. Fitzhugh will talk to the different ministers on funeral reform.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Lotta Jasper and Seigel Aikens.

All the undertakers are taking an active interest in the Sunday funeral work.

Rev. Ferguson was called to Louisville last week to the bedside of his daughter.

Mr. Fitzhugh gave the Baptist ministers a lecture on the Sunday funeral question.

Miss Celia Bass and Amanda Rogers returned on last Sunday to their home at Connersville.

The duett by Mrs. Philo Nance and I. P. Johnson was a marked feature of the Knox obsequies.

Mrs. Phillip Broadus, of Mass. ave., who has been sick for several weeks, is rapidly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Puryear celebrate their 15th Wedding anniversary Monday December 19th.

Garret Smith Lodge G. U. O. of O F., have entered suit in Superior court against Arthur Locklear.

Rev. E. W. S. Hammond, editor of the Southern Advocate, preached at Simpson Chapel last Sunday.

Rev. R T. Anderson, of Louisville, Ky., and Rev. J. H. Manly preached at Jones' Tabernacle last Sabbath.

Mrs. Hammond, wife of Rev. E. S. Hammond, is perceptibly succumbing to the dreadful malady of which she is a victim.

Rev. R. T. Anderson, of Louisville, preached to large audiences at Jones Tabernacle on last Sunday and Wednesday evenings.

The Terpsichorean club passed resolutions on the death of William Knox and will waive holiday festivities out of respect to his memory.

Milton Benson by special invitation delivered an oration before the high school students last Friday. He being the only colored student selected.

Owing to the delay occasioned by the obsequies of William Knox we were unable to publish many local items intended for last week's issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Bass extend thanks to their host of friends for the kindness rendered them during the sickness and death of their mother.

Lawyer H. P. Hill's friends will interest themselves in remitting his fine and costs for "crap" shooting, and for which he was sent to jail in default of payment.

The exercises of the Ninth Presbyterian literary society grow more interesting. It meets every Monday night; Jno. Carter, president; Georgia Stevenson, secretary.

Mrs. Martha Roberts, of Charlottesville, Messrs. R. A. Roberts, of Shelbyville, Isaac Hampton and Richard Curry, of Greenfield, attended the funeral of William W. Knox.

Grand Rally at Jones Tabernacle, Blackford Street, Sunday December 18th. Rev. J. W. Carr will preach at 3 p. m.; also his choir and people will be present, W. H. Chambers, pastor.

The Miller-Rickman wedding which took place at the residence of Mrs. Irene Franklin on Wednesday evening November 30th, is said to have been one of the prettiest home weddings of the season. Many handsome and valuable presents were received.

Rev. J. H. Manly, missionary secretary of the A. M. E. Zion church, gave a very interesting entertainment at Zion A. M. E. church last Monday evening By special request the Doctor delivered his lecture "My Red Top Boots," which was highly appreciated as was the building of the old ship of Zion and the solo by the Doctor. Rev Manly goes from this city to Louisville, where the merit of this entertainment should insure liberal patronage

Mrs. Ida Wilson and her two-year-old child have been missing from their home on East Wabash street, since Saturday. She had not lived happily with her husband, and was separated from him. Her grandparents, with whom she was living, are very uneasy about her disappearance and continued absence. A Mr. Smith says he saw the woman Saturday afternoon on the Yellow Bridge, and she said she was going to drown herself, but he paid no attention to the statement at the time.

A brief statement to the public relative to city news items intended for publication in The Freeman will explain the non-appearance or "holdover" of items expected in a current issue. As is generally known The Freeman is national in circulation and as regards prompt issue, as amenable to its patrons in Maine, California or Mexico as to those of this city, and in order to make its appearance regularlarly every Saturday at its most remote point of circulation, it is necessary that papers are mailed a day or two prior thereto and also necessary that matter intended for publication reach this office by Tuesday night, in which case unless crowded out by matter previously entered it will positively appear.

The Batson Concerts.

The recent appearance of this celebrated singer in our city was the signal to little less than an ovation beginning with her first appearance at the 2nd Baptist church Wednesday, eve. Dec. 7th and only ending with her third and last appearance at Allen Chapel on Friday evening Dec. 9th. Mme. Batson is conceded to be the most pleasing as well as most successful financially of any singer the race has produced, being aptly proficient in the classic repertoires of Patti, Gerster, Juch Parepa, Rosa and other great singers of the Caucassian race beside possessing the faculty of adapting herself to the more ordinary in the category of song. Miss Batson has visited every State in the Union and is unable to comply with all the overtures for her services. Miss Batson's voice has been qualified by every adjective that would imply sweetness, magnetism and soulfulness. She was evidently at her best and with the encores included gave nine numbers each evening, the vast audience sitting the while spellbound by the magic of her voice. Her elegant and becoming toilets were the object of much admiration. Her accompanist Miss Gertie Jackson is a recent and the first colored graduate from Chicago's conservatory of music and her proficiency in musical technique was admirably displayed by her deftness of touch and her pleasing conception of this high art.

NOTES.

R. W. Thompson as master of ceremonies attempted to put the audience on their good behavior but was finally compelled to demand order.

The paper by Mrs. W. L. Perry contained some logical points.

The saxaphone solo by Prof. T. Q. Brown was a novel feature.

The duett by Mrs. Wisdom and Miss Bertie Taylor was sorely interrupted by the cultured (?) persons in the gallery and rear of the church. How long—O, how long?

The singing of Mrs. Clarence Johnson was well received.

THIRD NIGHT.

Manager Bergen requested a rendition by Mrs. Lillian Thomas to which request she responded.

The "Bridge song by Miss Batson gives play to this lady's marked degree of dramatic ability.

A delegation conferred with Manager Bergen for Mme. Batson's re-appearance here in a grand concert at Tomlinson Hall.

Mrs. Ella Cosby made a decided "Hit" in her "That is Love."

Wesley Bridges master of ceremonies at Allen Chapel prefaced his introduction of Miss Batson with a neat little speech; but when making subsequent announcements of her numbers, was too full for utterance and tremulously ejaculated: "Ladies and gentlemen—the Star." So much for the power of music.

Miss Ora Jones' Marguerite displayed the quaint pathos in this young lady's voice.

Mr. James Collins is practicing new whistling solos, realizing that variety is the key note to popularity

Manager Bergen has, within the last two years, rejected several invitations for Miss Batson's appearance in the city; having gained the rumor which is unfortunately, currently reported of Indianapolis, namely, that her people were not discriminating, that they denominated as artists those who were personal favorites and seldom adjudged from the standpoint of true merit. This impression abetted by a voluminous call from every section of the country, has operated hitherto, to cause Miss Batson as many other renowned artists to pass us by. But that in the above case the inference has been partially invalidated, we are glad.

A Card.

Mr, and Mrs. G. L Knox desire to thank friends for courtesies shown them during the illness and death of their son.

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The grief that rends thee will not always last.
Some ships sail seaward, and return not back;
Others will follow in the self-same track,
And bring our loved ones to our yearning sight,—
Daylight will follow from the darkest night.

In all the great realities of life,
Whether we mingle in its joy or strife,
We stand alone, alike in grief or pain.
Our highest level we can not attain
With hands close clasped, folded in love's caress;
We reach our highest in our loneliness.
All of life's lessons come through pain and loss;
Our choicest blessings centre around some cross;
And, when we reach the happiness of heaven,
It will be a vessel tempest riven."

Miss Mattie A. Childers, of Detroit, is an excellent violinist.

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Milwaukee, Wis., offers special inducements to colored working women.

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Mrs. A. L. Askew, of New York City, is visiting relatives in Nassua, N. P.

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Mrs. Florence Tucker Cooke, widow of the late Dr. Cooke, of Washington, was recently married to Mr. Minkins, of Norfolk, Va.

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Mrs. A. C. Thornton, a fashionable modiste, of Yonkers, N. Y., owns a handsome three story brick, the result of her own labor.

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The venerable widow of the late Bishop Alexander Campbell, who lives at Bethany, W. Va., celebrated her ninetieth birthday recently.

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Mrs. Nellie Brown Mitchell and sister, Miss Edna Brown, appeared at Cambridge, Mass., last week, for the benefit of the Old Ladies home.

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Mrs. J. O. W. Alexander, of Little Rock, Ark., who never had a painting or drawing lesson, has painted a picture valued at $100 by a Chicago artist.

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Mrs. Jene Holbray, a colored woman 108 years old, called on the workhouse board at Cincinnati, the other day, and secured the release of her 75 year old son.

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Josephine Hargrove has been arrested at Red Bank, N. J., on a charge of murdering her infant child. The woman denied the charge at first, but finally confessed that she committed the deed.

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Miss Hallie Q. Brown addressed 900 students at the famous Stanford University, at Palo Alto, Cal., and is the first woman who ever spoke from the rostrum of their hall.

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A jury at Binghamton, N. Y., acquitted Mrs. Ada F. Delong, who shot and killed her faithless husband on the night of Oct. 10th. Her defense was emotional insanity brought on by cruel treatment.

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Miss Pudine Carter, who was appointed as copyist in the Recorder's office at Chicago about a year ago, was this week reappointed by Mr. Samuel B. Chase, the newly elected Democratic Recorder.

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Mattie Davis, a Leguire, Texas, Afro-American woman, unearthed a chest containing $25,000 in Mexican gold coins. The money is believed to have been acquired by Jose Martinez, a very wealthy Spaniard, who lived there before Texas declared her independence.

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Mrs. Martha Jordan, formerly a student in the University of California, and more recently a teacher in the public schools of Dallas, Texas, has entered the University school of dentistry to fit herself for a first-class dentist. Miss Jordan is the first colored person to enter this department of the University.

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At the banquet of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union at St Louis, Mo., Dec. 10, the colored delegates, male and female, took seats among the white delegates and when asked to move to the seats reserved for them, left the hall in anger and would not return. They threaten to withdraw from the Union.

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St. Monica's Home, Boston, is a benevolent enterprise in behalf of those sick women of our race who cannot find at home the comforts of life It is unsectarian and opens its doors to women of all creeds or no creed, who are tended with all the care of a mother. The Sisters of the Episcopal Order of St. Margaret are in charge.

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Maria Lewis, who died a year ago at Chicago, was said to possess the most wealthy estate owned by any colored person in that city. She made Mr. Frank W. Rollins trustee of her real estate, for the benefit of his children. Besides this she made a will which was admitted to probate last week By the will $1,000 was left to Laura Cooper, and the balance to Olivet Baptist Church, but when the vault was opened the box was found to contain only $1,170.

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"As we journey through life,
With its turmoil and strife,
Our pathways with trials are strewn;
But of these the worst thing
Is to hear a girl sing:
'My sweetheart's the Man in the Moon.'

The poor dear is mistaken:
Alas! she's forsaken.
Human nature she surely can't know;
She is quite unaware
There's a woman up there,
Or the man would be down long ago."

Accused of Poisoning her Husband.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Mr. and Mrs. Amanda Beech are Jubilant over a new girl. Rev. J. J. Jacob wife and child made a visit to the city on the 8th. He has returned to his charge at Pryorsburg. Mrs. J. P. Jones has been visiting relatives at Birmingham. Horace Woods of N. 12th streeth died on Dec. 7th. His wife died a few months ago. Mrs. Tom Allen, who had been chamber maid on the steamer Clyde from Alabama, recently took sick and remained over at Mr. Chas, Brown's where she died Dec. 9th after seven week's severe illness and was carried to her home at Florence, Ala., for burial. Mrs. Annie C. Lindsey who runs a Rail-road boarding house received news on the 7th of the sudden death of her brother Willis Talbott of Bardstown, Ky. She received a letter on Monday the 5th inst. that he was well and hearty and on the next day that he was dead then following on the 8th inst. that the cause of his heath was from poison and that his wife was the accused, that it was given to him in coffee in the morning and he died about 11:00 o'clock, also that his oldest son got a part of the dose and was not out of danger at last hearing. Mrs. Lucy Shepard, sister of the deceased, and Mrs. Emma Leech niece of the deceased of this city left for Bardstown where they expect to meet Mrs. Mary Talbott of Cairo. Ill., and investigate the death of their brother in full. The deceased was 64 years of age and the accused wife is his fourth one.

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By the Y. M. C. A. Official Organ—Dr. Ricketts Banquetted.

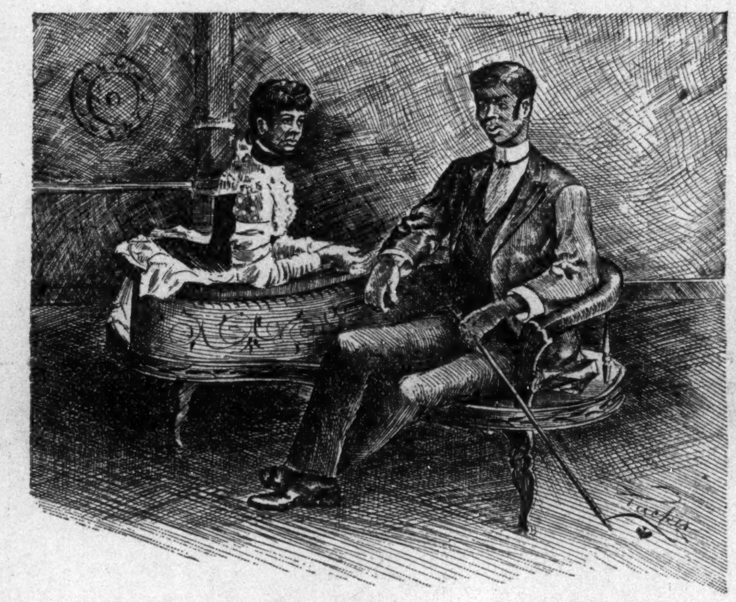
Omaha Neb., Special,

Omaha has a greater number of credulous people than any other city of like size in America. Her citizens are constantly being preyed upon by pretenders and fakirs under the guise of traveling ministers, representing some church or religious association. And as soon as one of these frauds have been exposed and driven from the community, the people forget and forgive and the next man that comes along under the title of Rev. "Somebody," working in the interest of some church or charitable object the pastors throw open their churches and the people their homes and purses and receive them without investigation as to their fitness. During the setting of the General Conference here last May and while those learned doctors were in session, one Rev (?) Bell was arrested, taken to prison and charged with receiving money under false pretense. November last another Afro-American appeared upon the scene and defrauded the charitably disposed and generous hearted citizens of this city to the extent of several hundred dollars, representing that he wished to build a hospital. We now have preaching in one of our churches, a man who styles himself on his card Evangelist Albert Mack, National King, and president of the colored Y. M. C. A, of America. The Young Men,s Era, the official organ of the Young Mens' Christain Association of the world in the issue of Nov. 17th '92 denounced Rev. Mack as an impostor and called upon the Christian Association throughout the country to protect the public from this seducer of the people. One of the greatest evils under which our race are laboring is the fact thatany Negro irregardless of his moral or mental or status if he has a healthy pair of lungs and desires to lecture can always receive some attention. The Afro-American Press should make it its business; it is their duty to drive these bogus preachers and faith doctors from public attention. For every time one of these appear in a comunity and is permited to work our race, our prosperity is retarded. The Afro-Americans of Lincoln, Neb., banquetted the Hon. M. O. Ricketts, represenitive elect from Douglass County, Thursday evening Dec. 8th. The affair was a success beyond the most sanguine expectations Dr. Ricketts, Judge M. F. Singleton, V. B. Walker Esq., and F. L. Barnett arrived in Lincoln and were received at the Depot by a reception committee and driven to the residence of Dr. A. C. Fleppin and after spending a pleasant hour with that gentleman were driven to the handsomely decorated hall of the Odd Fellows, where they were greated by fifty couples of ladies and gentlemen including many from all parts of the state, who had assembled to pay their respects to the first and only Negro ever elected to the legislature of this state. A well prepared six course dinner was served. The following named gentlemen responded to toasts Dr T. E. Dortch, C. H. Coil, C. Lee S. F Westerfield, Col. Wm Jones, Dr. G. H. Staples, Dr. M. O. Rickets, V. B. Walker Esq., Judge M F. Singleton, and F. L. Barnett. Among other things Dr. Ricketts, said; that many eminent Republicans traced the defeat of the republican party to the disaffection of the Negro vote, that if it was true he would have a greater respect for the Negro. But he did not believe it, that he believed the bold stand, taken by Pres. Harrison on the Force Bill caused the defeat of the party.

From the Other Race.

Editor Freeman:—Will you kindly accept a few lines from one whose lot has been cast with the opposite race, but the accident of the race, or color, does not make one the superior or inferior of the other: it is culture and moral worth alone that should mark the limit of social and political recognition. We are decendents of Adam; all were "created of one blood" and "equal;" so why need it make any distinction what nationality we belong to; and the day is not far distant when it will not, and surely those of the dark race, who have fought their way, step by step, and who are so rapidly ascending the ladder of fame, are heroes in the truest sense of the word.

Opposition, vindictive, fierce determined, has been elicited and overcome. Our own noted Burney is a noble example of this. Prejudice, which is always the result of ignorance, disapears before him as hoar frost when kissed by the autumnal sunshine, and as we are all under the same glorious flag and in the same boat we should turn our backs upon the dreary past and our faces to the future, trusting that the creator of all may have something better in store for us than we have ever even dared to hope for. I am yours truly. M, E, Beck.
New Albany, Ind.



DIAMOND CUT DIAMOND.

Miss Precise—"If you really mean what you say Mr. Ardent, and your love will last beyond the grave, why insist upon an early marriage?"

Mr. Ardent—"Better be married early than stand a suit for breach of promise later."

Hallie Q. Brown on the Pacific Coast.

Los Angeles, Cal. Special.

Miss Hallie Q. Brown of Wilberforce, O., who came to California early in October is laboring in the interest of a Normal and Industrial school of which she is lady principal, at Tuskeegee Ala. Its object is, the education of colored children of the "Black Belt." While in San Francisco, she was enabled to present her cause at the leading churches of the city before the 'Literary Lights," of the city She was assisted in her efforts through the influence of Mrs. Sarah B. Cooper who is more widely known than any other woman in San Francisco, as she is superintendent of all the kindergarten Schools in the city and has a Sabbath school class of 600. Miss Brown also spoke at the University of California at Berkely, Cal. The S. F. Chronicle, speaking of an entertainment given by her in the Union Square Hall, says; "She has been called 'Americas greatest elocutionist' not without good reason." At San Jose she met Miss Lucy M. Washburne a teacher at one time, in a school where Mr. B. Washington, was a former pupil. Miss Washburne is now one of the Faculty of the State Normal School at San Jose and was instrumental in introducing Miss Brown to the citizens of San Jose. She spoke three times at the State Normal and gave an afternoon reading before 800 students who unanimously dopted a set of resolutions, tendering their hearty thanks for her entertainment and wishing her success in her worthy undertaking. At University of the Pacific she spoke to 200 students. Through Mrs. O'Conner's influence she gained entrance to College of Notre Dame where are 500 students and 75 Sisters, also spoke of the work to a Catholic Benevolent Society in Mrs Barney Murphy's parlors. The Secy. of Y. M. C. A. opened their hall that she could have an opportunity to speak to the citizens of San Jose, who turned out in such numbers to hear her that the seating capacity was found insufficient and the meeting was carried to a large Presbyterian church near in order to more fully accommodate the people. The famous Stanford University at Palo Alto, was also visited Here Miss Brown addressed 900 students There are forty professors in this University and Miss Brown enjoys the distinction of being the first woman who ever spoke from the rostrum of their hall, Roble Hall. On the 17th of Nov. Miss Brown reached Los Angeles, "City of the Angels," and spoke to a missionary society in Immanuel Presbyterian Church. Dr. Chicester, pastor. The following week she filled two engagements at State Normal School, Prof Ira Moore, President and at the Occidental College, Boyle Heights and at Unitarian Church and through the influence of Mrs. Judge Baxter she spoke at the Y M. C. A. Hall also at W. C. T. U. and at A. M. E. Church. Owing to the fact that her time on the coast was limited and having previous engagements in Northern Cal., Miss Brown was unable to make engagements with S. California University, Congregational church and Ideal Guitar and Banjo clubs each of which desired her services. She has stirred a favorable sentiment here on the coast in regards to the welfare of the Negro in the South that will result in much good.

Church and Lodge Noter.

Boston Mass. Special.

A number of ladies of Boston and Cambridge tendered to Miss Ida B. Wells, of Memphis, a reception in Charles St. Church, Thursday eve. Dec. 1st. Miss Wells told a large audience of the outrages in the South. A concert was given in the Y. M. C. A. hall Thursday, evening for the benefit of the Old Ladies Home, in which, Mrs. Nellie Brown Mitchell and sister Edna Bowman were prominent features. At Rush A. M. E. Zion church, Cambridge they are holding a series of entertainments which opened Monday evening with a lecture by Rev. J. C. Price D. D. President of Livingston College, N. C. the famous tenor solist, M. Sidney Westward and Mrs. A. Louise Thiobon soprano soloist and Miss M. E. Richardson, soloist. Union Baptist church held her thirteenth anniversary Dec. 8th. There were short addresses by several eminent divines, a special paper read by M. W. Grandison, the address of welcome by the pastor, Rev Jesse Harrell, and music by the choir. Prof. Fred Lewis, organist. Robert A. Bell Post, 134 held its election of officers last Thursday evening which is as follows: Commander, Jas. H. Smith; S. V., Burrell Smith; J. V., G. Warren Sharper; O. of the D. Wm. Hunt. Surgeon, S W. Ray; O. G. Wm. Harvey; Chap, Henry Cornish; Quarter Master, Thos Young.

Bessemer, Ala.

There was a grand entertainment given at City Hall in honor of Rev. Gaines, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church which was attended by the best people of the city. James Palmer, who got both legs broken in the mines, is doing well Pennington of Chattanooga, is in the city working up the Independent order for the advancement of the race. Rev. G. L. Olden, president of the Bureau of Information, of Denver colorado, was in the city last Thursday and gave a lecture on the Western States and their resources and advised all who could to go west. Walter Gorham has returned to the city after visiting relatives in Montgomery. The Freeman can always be found at the barber shop of N. J. Clark and S. Hicks. The Freeman is a welcome visitor at this place but many seem to think it a charitable gift and won't pay for it.

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HAIL, AND MERRY CHRISTMAS!

A merry Christmas to you all, and many, and happy returns of the day! Do you, not believe with us, dear friends and readers, comparing THE FREEMAN with THE FREEMAN, that this number outstrips all of our previous holiday issues, and is quite worthy to be called a "Christmas Beauty?" Look it all over, from top to bottom, inside and out, flirt if you will, and dare, with the idealistic beauty on the first page, Miss Afro-American, lost in the charming mazes of a brown study, as her race, and its wonderful achievements passes in retrospect before her, and when you shall have caught with the discriminating eye of the connoisseur, the happy conceit of our artist, stop not your quest for good things, until you have scanned every headline, every classified column, every news-letter, every contributed article, every literary gem, every portrait, every high class cartoon that crowds the seventy-two columns of this beautiful twelve page issue. Had we been striving for quantity instead of quality, we could have given you, for a trifling expenditure above the cost of the white paper, twenty four, thirty two or forty-eight pages, of cheap "plate matter," "stock cuts" or "ready set," for a Christmas number, but as you see, we choose differently. Speaking from the standpoints of integrity and honor, as applied to Negro journalism, THE FREEMAN believes that the responsibility of a newspaper, not to deceive or impose upon the expectations of its readers and supporters, is a sacred one, which should no more be violated than should the note of an honorable business man be allowed to go to protest. Such are the lines that THE FREEMAN has been, and will continue to be conducted on, under its new proprietorship and management. Purporting to be a RACE JOURNAL, it shall be a race journal in fact in all that pertains to it, as is this issue to-day. What our readers pay for, we propose to give them all the year round. Every type that is set on this paper is set by a Negro. Every line of "copy" is conceived in a Negro's brain, and written by a pen held in the fingers of a Negro. Every work of art, every "cut," "cartoon," picture or embelished "head" that adorns the pages of this number, is a reflex of Negro skill and genius. Holding that this number of THE FREEMAN, in consideration of the eminence accorded to its contributors in racial and literary spheres, can rightfully lay claim to the title of THE CLASSIC ISSUE of Negro journalism, we wish our readers, contemporaries and friends, one and all, once more, a merry, joyous Christmas.

A BRILLIANT GALAXY.

We point with pardonable pride to the striking symposium of race genius that has contributed to this issue of THE FREEMAN. The history of Negro journalism does not contain a counterpart. Up to this time nothing like it has been known. Look at the list. Frederick Douglass, Rt, Rev. H M Turner, John Mercer Langston, Peter Humphries Clark, Daniel B. Williams, A, M., Ph. D.; Albery A. Whitman, Josie D. Heard, Paul Dunbar, Rev. P. M. Lewis, Maggie Nickens, Rev. D. F. Rivers, Thos. H. Stewart, Prof. Hale G, Parker, Rev. C. O. H. Thomas, A. M,, LL. B.; A. P. Flinn, Esq.; Rev. George C. Rowe and Senator John P. Green. The classified news under the espionage of Lillian May Thomas, as usual is fresh, inviting and full, while our correspondence from all parts of the world, keeping touch with the daily happening and pulse of the race, is quite one of the most important and interesting features of this issue. Every contributed article is a gem within itself, and the whole is worthy of preservation in a "scrap" to be filled with elegant literature. The great Douglass writes in his best vein upon the proposition, that for the Negro there is "no royal road to success." Bishop Turner, that rugged, earnest thinker, draws a peppery contrast, in forcible language, between the Negro's environments and accomplishments, skilled, of other days; and today Jno. M. Langston, talks gracefully and interestingly of the "missing chapter," in which, he takes the race of to day to task, for its disposition to be derilect to the memory and sacrifices of the great Negro's of a past generation or two; Peter H Clark, Ohio's able son, or for that matter, one of the race's great sons, tells of the things that the Negro must learn and unlearn; Prof. Hale G Parker, Alternate Commissioner at Large for the World's Columbian Exposition, sends a most readable, and wise opinion on what should be the Negro's attitude towards the great exhibition, which we sincerely hope will be read by all our readers; Daniel B. Williams, author and educator, urges the inculcation of moral and religious thought, as an annex to the curriculum of the schools; Rev. C. O. H. Thomas, A. M., LL. B., makes a plea against the superfluities, in favor of the common sense and rational; Thomas H. Stewart, Esq , contends for the education of the masses; A. P. Flinn, of the Kansas State Normal School, discourses, in chaste elegant diction, of the road to success for the Negro; Rev. P. M. Lewis, M. A., asks the question: "What is essential to the elevation of the colored men of America?" And answers the same in a succint comprehensive resume; Senator John P. Green, of Ohio, in lucid engaging rhetoric, tells of the Christmas present he would give to the Negro youth of America; A plea, strong and convincing, for "backbone" and stiff upper lip. Rev. D. F. Rivers, a brilliant thinker and writer of most attractive style, sticks a lance into the American disposition to air upon all occasions, a superficial knowledge of the dead languages, when crisp, terse English would serve a better purpose; Mrs. Maggie Nickens, a young, but brilliant penwoman, writes admirably of the "True Endeavorer;" while the race poets, Whitman, Rowe, Fannie D. Heard and Paul Dunbar, are given a corner by themselves, resonant with the melody of the muses. Take it for all and all, it is such a constellation of Negro brain, of intellectual force and virility, as you may not see grouped together again, and which you might never have seen, had not THE FREEMAN persevered upon the hypothesis that there was nothing to good or attractive for its readers.

A Freeman Group, and the Race's Obedient Servants.

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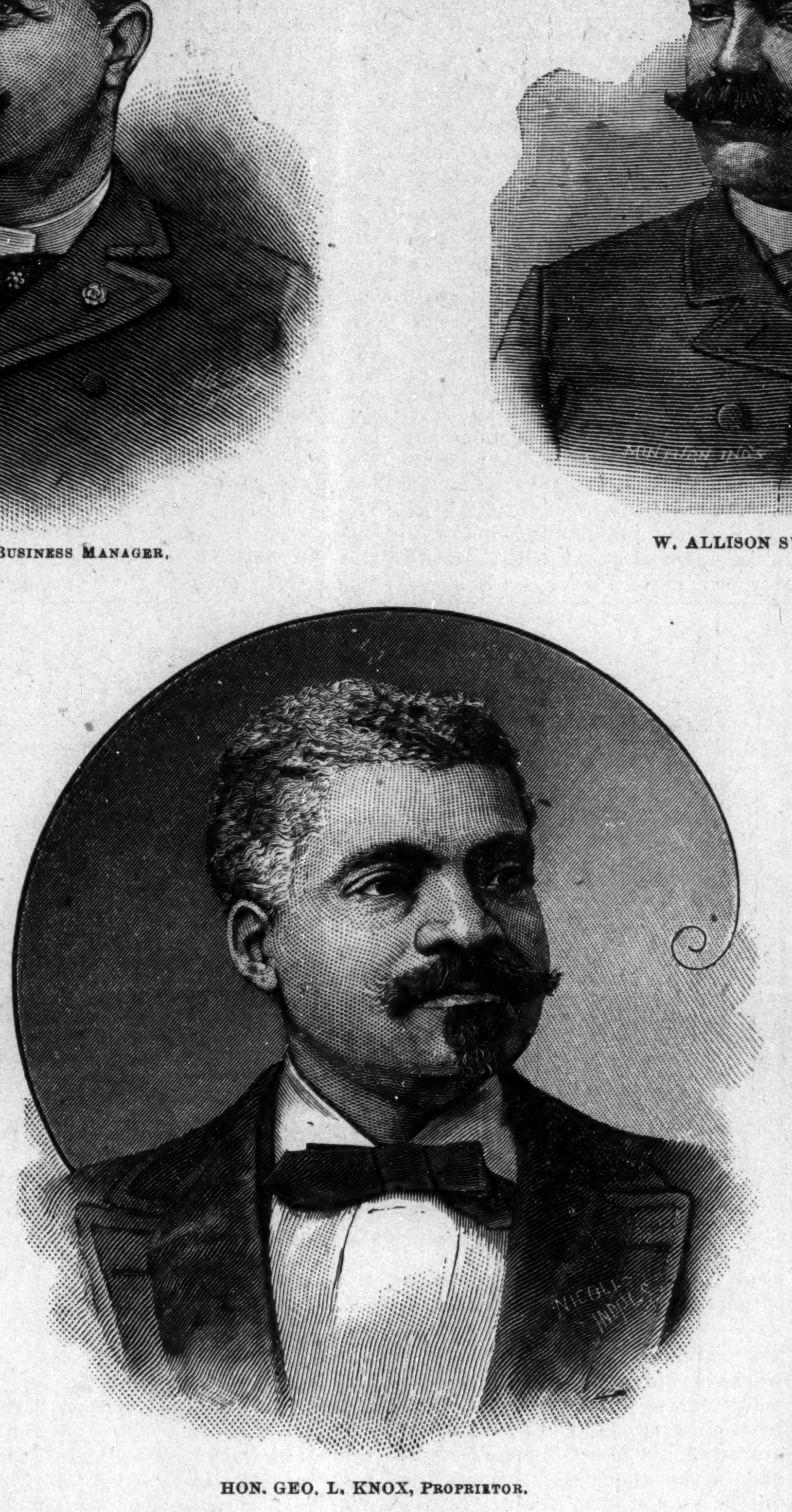

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"COMRADES" ALL, A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Brothers of the "art preservative," what shall be our greeting to you on this, the Savior's natal day? Has your experience been similar to ours, have there been times, and enough, when your load seemed more than you could bear; when dues justly yours, could not be collected; when the "copy" fiend was ever at your elbow; when the haste to be "out" on time, made waste in other directions? Have you felt the hot breath of the enraged and envious rival on your trail, and blinded by the glitter of his knife, have you nearly swooned away, when in demoniac glee, he seemed intent on drinking yonr warm, red blood? Have you been abused by the man you gave "space" to in lieu of better and more deserving men; have you been reviled by this "society" or that "clique," whose fight you had made your fight, but who, after, would go far out of their way, to take their "printing" to a white firm, rather than lay a crumb upon your scanty table; have you "puffed" church entertainments, and crowded out "paid" ads. in order to deal in pyrotechnics of praise of the "good brother's" sermon, only to be told by your "local" in the morning that a "special" officer had met him at the door and shouted in his affrighted ear, "You kaint go in dar 'les you pays?" Have you suffered all these things, and more? If so, earth holds no more trying and exasperating fate than yours. Weak, worn and emaciated enthusiasts, immolating yourselves for your race's good, upon a too often thankless altar, you know what it is to "kiss the hand that smote you," to drink the bitter hemlock of unappreciation. Such as we have, brethren, we offer you; 'tis yours fraternally; you are welcome to it. As newspapers, may this Christmas tide, be the merriest of all that has been merry. Helped along by turkey, plum pudding, and nectar that brings temporary oblivion, minus a swollen noddle, may you forget for one brief day how cold, how passing cold, are some hearts that beat around you, how priceless, quite above base value, the friendships that has not deserted you.

FROM NEGRO POETS.

THE COW-BELL.

Often to my heart returning
Like an evening's after-glow,
Comes the light of recollection
In a shining overflow—
Thus when I recall from mem'ry
Objects dear to me of yore,
I can hear among the shadows
Of the scenes that are no more,
I can hear the sounds that thrilled me—
Sounds I knew and loved so well—
When the patient cows were lowing,
Lowing homeward in the dell.

When the last of glimmering twilight
O'er behind the forests fell,
And the tree tops growing darker
Filled the silence with a spell,
And the whippoorwill commencing
In the hazel thicket near,
Hushed my childish heart with whispers
Of a superstitious fear;
Then in tones the most assuring
And the friendliest of all,
Came the ringing of the cow bell,
Ringing homeward in the 'twall.

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And if in the great hereafter,
All the music there shall bell
Harps and songs and trumpets only
Sounding on the golden sea,
I shall turn away and wander
From such scenes of ecstacy—
Wander back and watch the twilight
Dyin out along the sky;
Watch and listen in the shadows
Till I hear the milkmaid's call,
And shall hear the cow bell ringing;
Ringing homeward in the 'twall.

—Albery A. Whitman.

The Ol' Tunes.

You kin talk about your anthems,
An' yer arais an' sich,
An' yer modern choir singin'
That you think so awful rich,
But you orter heerd us youngsters
In the times now far away,
A singing o' the ol' tunes
In the ol'-fashioned way.

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The boys 'ud always lead us,
An' the girls 'ud all chime in,
Till the sweetness o' the singing,
Robbed the lisnin' soul o' sin.
An' I ust to tell the parson
'Twas as good to sing as pray,
When the people sing the ol' tunes
In the ol'-fashioned way.

How I long agin to hear it,
Pourin' forth from soul to soul,
With the treble high an' meller,
An' the bass' mighty roll,—
But the time is very diff'rent,
An' the music heerd to-day
Ain't the singin' o' the ol' tunes
In the ol'-fashioned way.

But I think that some bright mornin'
When the toils o' life is o'er
An' the sun o' heaven arising,
Gilds with light the happy shore,
I shall hear the angel chorus,
In the realms of endless day
A singing o' the tunes
In the ol'-fashioned way.

—Paul Dunbar.

"WOULD YOU REGRET?"

Would you regret,
If I within my shroud
With calm closed eyes lay dead,
My voice forever still
In death's embrace so chill,—
The words you've said,
Would you regret
That we had met?

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Would you regret
That I no more should stand,
Thy clasped hand in mine,
The while your sheltering arm
Safe shielded me from harm,
Would you regret
That we had met?

Would you regret
That you had weary been,
With my "short comings" often tried,
Because forsooth one day
I claimed to have my way,
Your will defied,
Would you regret
That we had met?

Would calm regret
Persuade you to the spot
Where I were lowly laid;
Would you bend low and shed a tear
Above me, calmly sleeping there,—
The words you've said,
Would you regret
Alas! That we had met?

—Josie P. Heard, Philadelphia, Pa.

RETROSPECT.

As shadows of twilight are falling,
And hushed is the voice of the sea,—
The chirp of the blue bird is calling
His mate to the airy home tree;
When nature seems resting from labor,
Then joyous, sweet memories come:
My mind wanders back to my childhood,
I think of the loved ones at home.

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Of picnics enjoyed in the wildwood,
By the side of the "Big" Bantam Lake;
The glad happy voices of childhood
Which ever such sweet music make.
I think of the rides on the hay-load,
From the meadow down through the big gate,
The shrill, piping note of the tree-toad
That warned us 'twas growing quite late.

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The bright days of childhood have vanished,
And with them, full many a dream
Of wealth and of greatness have perished—
This old world is not what it seems;
And, as I arouse from my rev'rie,
Confronting the cares which have come,
With manhood's full day to perplex me,—
I long for the old days at home.

—George C. Rowe.

THE "cut" of Eckstein Norton University which appears in this issue shows a commodious, elegant building, costing a cool $10,000.

SEVERAL contributions intended for this issue, notably a very able one from the Hon. Jere A. Brown, was unavoidably crowded out, owing to lateness of arrival. They will appear in our next.

DR. WESLEY ROBBINS,
Indianapolis, Ind.

A Progressive People.

Fort Smith, Ark., Special.

Ft. Smith, the second city in size and population i Arkansas, has a populati n of 11,311 of whom about 3,000 are colored. It is situated in the north-eastern part of the state, on the Arkansas river and has large railway and steamboat facilities, We have among the colored people seven large churches, four Methodist and three Baptist, presided over by Rev, Dr. Cal. M. Williams, Rev. D. T. Carroway, P. W. Wade, B. J. Griffin, J. H. Ferguson, and others. We have five large retail Grocery stores run by H. Chism, W. H. Herrell, L. Bolin, J. F, Raiford, and J. J. Moran. All are men of industry and worth. We have several large meat markets among whom the leaders are Craig, and Hardgrave. Our barber-shops are numerous. The principal ones are those of Hensley and Kane, E. Merchand, U. Stewart, and J. Johnson. Hensley and Kane, are artists in their profession. We have two large school buildings with an enrollment of 600 pupils. Howard High School has 18 pupils. The prominent men whose subscriptions to The Freeman we would like to have for 1893 at the low rate of $1 50 are F. J. Rowells, M. Herrell, E O. Trent, I. Quinn, G. H. Stewart, S. Dean, Dr, Thomas, E. E. McDaniel, W. E Joshenberger, W. P. Clardy, I. Robinson, L. Bolin, J. Harlan, Prof. Long, A. Wiley, F. McKee, J. Stearns, D Harrison, J. Johnson, F. Kane, J. Hensley, E. Henderson, G. Miller, P. W. Wade, J. Lewis, H. Chism, J. F. Raifard. G. W. Craig, L. Thompson, J. Cain, R, Trotter J. Maran, G. Lewis, H. Winston, H. Stratfort, A. Butler, A Douglass, H. Stearns, S. Young, F. Reed, J. Smith, B. Arrington, A. Qackery, A. Mays, K. Trice, N Ullery, W. Story, H. Harrison, J. Harrison, H. Gipson, C. Williams, Q. Hicks. G. Crenshaw, and all others who want to read The Freeman of '93.

Uniontown Pa

The St. Paul A. M. E. Church was dedicated last Sunday Dec. 11th. 1892. The dedication sermon was preached by Bishop B. T. Tanner. There was three sermons during the day. The collection was $715.95. The A. M. E. church. Had a series of festivals and concerts this week with success. The visiting ministers were Rev. Dr. Cornelius Asbury of Pittsburgh, Rev. Palmer, Philadelphia and Rev. Webter, Brownsville, Pa.

Hutchinson, Kan.

Miss Julia Graves, of Pratt, Kan., is visiting the family of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Johnson, of this city. She was aroused last Tuesday evening by a crowd of surprisers. Refreshments were served and games gave a relish to the occasion.

De Soto, Mo.

The Colored Cornet Band gave a grand concert at the A. M. E. church. Net proceeds $98. H. C. Bell, of New Orleans, a student of Rush University, Holly Springs, Miss., will make our city his home. D. S Johnson, the only colored grocer in Southeast Missouri, has a fine stock and his store will be open day and night during the holidays. The Freeman can always be ound there at 5 cents a copy.

The Freeman in Russia.

Warsaw, Russa's Poland, Special.

DEAR SIR:—To-day I had the pleasure of seeing a copy of the ever popular and largest circulated Afro-American journal in the world, The Freeman. So your readers can see that this great paper is circulated not only in the United States and Canada, but also in this part of the globe. I arrived at Russia's Poland Tuesday, November 25th. I do not know when I have ever seen such barren looking farming lands. On seeing two or three loads of hay come in the market yesterday, which is just opposite my hotel, I arose from the window and went across to examine this ice embroidered, snow crusted Polish mixture they called hay. I must say mixture, as it is nothing else but weeds, sticks, some of it greatly resembling the sun burned, worn out prairie weed. One then will not wonder at the appearance of their bad looking cows and horses, which look as though they can scarcely walk along unsupported. The wagons reminds one very much of an old Mississippi river scow. The gendarmes and police look as if they had been on a week's combat with John barleycorn. After crossing the border line coming from Germany into this country, the moment the train stops, you are not allowed to leave the train until the officials examine your passport, which is immediately demanded. Your checks are given to the collector, seven or eight officers then go through your baggage; also at every train an officer enters the car and with a vial and rubber sprinkler bespatters every occupant, babies excepted, from head to foot. Then you are hustled out of the train into a large room capable of holding seven or eight hundred people. Everything one possesses, even to the clothes on your person is searched and should there be any unwashed clothing found in your baggage it is taken into a large room and there boiled and dried in short order. Then your passport is returned to you. But ere you cross the line, one has to take his or her passport to the Russian Minister stationed at Berlin, for his signature. On entering a hotel after registering, a police enters, looks over the register, then again your passport is demanded and in the course of an hour returned. About 2 o'clock this afternoon I received another caller in the shape of a tax collector, who collects for your head appearing above tide water within the limits of His Magesty, the Czar's domain. Also for personal effects in the shape of jewelry. No matter whether you are here one day or three months, one has to pay it. I must here say in all my time in this country, I have never seen such uniforms for soldiers. The privates' wearing apparel consists of nothing more than one great coat and a pair of brogan water-proof boots. They have no stoves either for cooking or heating purposes. All they have for such usage is a brick construction about nine and one-half feet high and two and one-half or three feet long. I have two more engagements in this country. I will be very glad when they are finished. I go to Berlin, and as before, I hope to meet The Freeman.

SAM. W. CHRISMAN.

Odd Fellows' Reception.

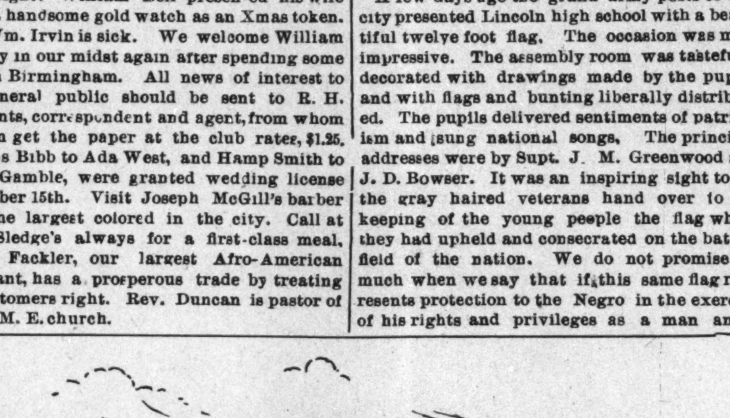
Kansas City, Mo., Special.

The annual reception given December 15th, by Cosmopolitan lodge No. 2955, G. U. O. of O. F., was one of the grandest affairs of the season. The entertainment opened with a concert. The programme was rendered by some of Kansas City's and Independence's best talent. Immediately after the concert Chairman Eubanks had the floor of the immense hall cleared, and to the orchestra's strains the Odd Fellows' grand march began, after which dancing was indulged in until a late hour. Prof. Peter H. Clark, a distinguished educator of St. Louis, Mo., was in the city on December 3d. He visited the teachers' institute where he delivered a very interesting address, which was highly appreciated by all present. After the address Prof. Clark was presented with a very handsome boquet by the ladies of Kansas City. While in the city he was the guest of Prof. S R. Bailey, of Lincoln school. At Allen Chapel, December 9th, the Knights of Tabor paid endowment to the heirs of the following deceased Knights and Daughters: Sir Harrison Gates, Sir Smith Roberson and Daughter Mary Smith, Daughter Sarah Pearl and Daughter Mary Langaur. The endowments were paid by Sir J. H. Jenkins, Chief Grand Mentor of the Knights of Tabor, of Missouri, assisted by H. Kellogg, D. G. M. The Missouri State Teachers' Association will convene in this city on December 27th to 29th, inclusive. The local teachers are making great preparations for the event, which bids fair to be one of the most notable gatherings that has ever assembled in Kansas City. The convention will close with a grand banquet at Music hall, on the evening of the 29th. Sunday, December 11th, was rally day at the Second Baptist church. Four hundred dollars was collected exclusive of the regular collection. Many tickets are yet to be heard from. A new secret order has been establish in this city to be known as the Afro-American Council. Its object is mutual protection. For information regarding The Freeman, call on or address John L. Tinner, 925 Main street.

Broke Jail.

Huntsville, Ala, Special.

The colored hook and ladder company did creditable service at the fire in Dr. Hutchin's drug store. Charley Jacobs is quite sick. Geo. Johnson is home from Bridgeport. Paul Sims who broke jail here December 7th, was captured at Leighton, Ala, and brought back to the county jail December 13th. Mrs. Jane Turner and little daughter Stella are home from Chattanooga, Tenn., after two month's visit to her oldest daughter William Jones is home from Birmingham. The supper at the A. M. E. Church December 15th, was a success. Ben. Roper, Robert Watkins, Alf. Bolden, Ed. Hackett and John Watkins were arrested December 13th for being drunk and disorderly. There will be Christmas trees at all the churches to-night. William Bell presented his wife with a handsome gold watch as an Xmas token. Mrs. Wm. Irvin is sick. We welcome William Grigsby in our midst again after spending some time in Birmingham. All news of interest to the general public should be sent to R. H. Pleasants, correspondent and agent, from whom you can get the paper at the club rates, $1.25. Thomas Bibb to Ada West, and Hamp Smith to Callie Gamble, were granted wedding license December 15th. Visit Joseph McGill's barber shop, the largest colored in the city. Call at Andy Sledge's always for a first-class meal. Frank Fackler, our largest Afro-American merchant, has a prosperous trade by treating his customers right. Rev. Duncan is pastor of the A. M. E. church.



Main building Eckstein Norton University; cost, $10,000.

C. H. PARRISH, A. M.,
President of Eckstein Norton University.

AN INTELLECTUAL MART

HER RACE REPRESENTATIVES IN THE PROFESSIONS AND INDUSTRIES—P. H. CLARK'S VISIT—A NEW CLUB. ITS INAUGURAL RECEPTION—CHRISMAS FESTIVITIES.

Kansas City Mo., Special.

The Freeman is the most welcome paper that comes to our city. A great many people who appreciate its journalistic worth, its elevation of tone, its race fidelity, its freedom from the ittleness that charaterizes much that passes for journalism, wonder why an effort is not made to secure a regular budget of items from this quarter. We know of no period in the history of this city when our representative intelligence rose higher or was so well distributed. It is the source of no empty satisfaction to think over the staunch men of culture who are permanent parts of our social life. Some of them come to us with the hall mark of the greatest culture centres of the land, and can upon occassion make a showing of which no one need be ashamed And then to these twenty or more we may add others who come to the front and hold their own in the great contest of life by sheer force of ability to dare and do. From among such a body of persons, notwithstanding they are all busy people, a first-class writer ought to be secured. Such a move on the part of The Freeman would cause our people to look for and pay for the paper to a greater extent than they do. In speaking of the intelligent class we greatly regret that we have so little prominence in business lines. We are truly proud of Dr. James E, who as a member of the board of health is making such a splendid record for himself and the race. Hon T. F. Sublette, our lawyer, has established for himself an enviable place in the hearts of the people by the high character, personal dignity, legal acumen and business dispatch which he brings to bear in his professional work. Mr. Joseph Wilson, our jeweler, is as successful as ever in his keeping the watches of the people in harmony with the sun. He is as constant and as well regulated as his best clock. Then there is Mr. Boland, our enterprising grocer. He knows the art of conducting business on business principles. Recognizing the fact that sentiment is not business, and that even colored people do not trade with him just because he is a colored man, he keeps standard goods at moderate prices, and displays them so tastefully that you feel like buying when you pass by. We hear it whispered that we are to have a shoe store and a printing office. It is to be hoped that the curtain that rises on the bright success of the new year will disclose among other good things these pleasant realizations. He who takes the lead will be a true benefactor. For he will objectify the new direction which the cultured energy of the race must begin to take. Somebody must go ahead and create business places in which our young men and women may find employment It is well enough to edge in where we can into existing shops and stores, but in face of the strong organizations of white laborers, success must necessarily be showd. To day we are quarreling with facts, when the proper thing to do is to force new factors into our service.

If we rightly observed the signs of the times, our people are succeeding better than ever in acting together where united interests are at stake. There are agencies at work tending to minimize the evils that effect us, and maximize the force of better tendencies. Prof. Peter H. Clark's visit to our city early in the month is to be counted among our happiest social and intellectual events. The agreeable banquet given at Prof. S. R. Bailey's residence, brought together a body of gentleman who should co-operate, but whom no previous occasion had ever unified. Unfortunately some unscrupulous persons misused his presence by attempting to boom him as a "crowder;" but all knew he was not a party to their folly, and he suffered not in the estimation of those who respect the man for what he is and for what he has accomplished. Prof. Clark's address before the Kansas City Institute was a masterpiece of finished exposition. We were glad to note that the American Citizen, which for two weeks vilified the professor because some one had mentioned him as a political possibility under the new administration, changed its tone to worship and eulogy.

A new club has sprung into existence. Many of our young men have become ashamed of constantly accepting the hospitalities of the Penelopeans without extending reciprocal courtesies. There was a time when the once famous Autumn Leaf club made occasions which everybody looked forward to; but some went East and others further West and caused its social actions to cease. There being still need that some one do the good work thus left undone, the Young Men's Progressive club sprang into existence. Their inaugural reception last week was one of the most pleasant social events of the season. Nobody regretted it but those who failed to get one of those handsome invitations. The banquet was choice and the dancing refreshingly good. Many of the new movements taught by Prof. and Mrs. T. B. Brown were executed here for the first time. We trust the club will grow and live and accomplish great good. Edward L. Murrell is president of the organization. Everyone is looking forward to the two events of Christmas week, which opens with a charming reception given by the Mutual Aid Association. Then comes the three days' session of the State Teachers' Association, which closes with a splendid banquet given by the teachers of Kansas City. J. Wesley Daniels, president of the association, is doing all in his power to make this the most notable gathering of colored educators that ever assembled in the state. The names on the programme are a guarantee of able papers and strong discussions of them.

A few days ago the grand army posts of this city presented Lincoln high school with a beautiful twelve foot flag. The occasion was most impressive. The assembly room was tastefully decorated with drawings made by the pupils, and with flags and bunting liberally distributed. The pupils delivered sentiments of patriotism and sung national songs. The principal addresses were by Supt. J. M. Greenwood and J. D. Bowser. It was an inspiring sight to see the gray haired veterans hand over to the keeping of the young people the flag which they had upheld and consecrated on the battle-field of the nation. We do not promise too much when we say that if this same flag represents protection to the Negro in the exercise of his rights and privileges as a man and a citizen, it will never want for defenders in the hour of national peril.

The Attucks Reading circle has been doing very high grade literary work this season. It meets every Tuesday evening at the headquarters of the Attucks club. Thus far the programmes have consisted of discussions of various question in psychology and preludes on current questions. After the holidays work will be resumed and lectures arranged for the general public.

Loses His Job Because of His Allegiance to the G. O. P.

Decatur, Ill., Special.

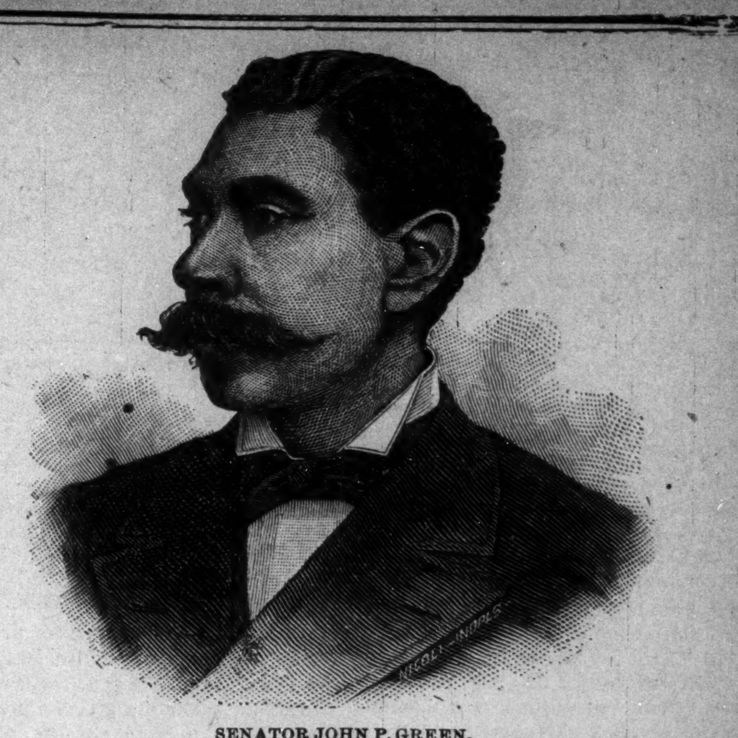
The members of the Methodist church and Sunday school have a grand holiday fair, including a broom-drill, performed by fifty young ladies and gentlemen under the tutorship of W H. Hammons and Miss Laura Hedgpath. The fair will be at the Guard's Armory Hall. Peter Mitchel is an aspirant for the new court house janitorship. He deserves consideration from the Republican board as he helped to nominate every one of them and is now out of employment because of his allegiance to the party in the late campaign. The janitor receives $800 per annum. Mr. Robinson, the colored contractor has remodeled his residence at a cost of $200, Rev. F. T. Harvey is sick. Tom Bradford left Thursday for Kansas City. Rose Eaton who has been in jail under indictment for grand larceny has been released on her own recognizance. Fannie and Bettie Lang aged respectively 23 and 17 years of age died at the residence of their parents. They had been sick for several months with that dreaded disease consumption until death came to their relief last Saturday morning less than six hours apart. The funeral was held last Sunday at the Baptist Church. Rev. S. S. Moore officiating. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the entire community. Mr. I. Kenney is very ill.

A GROWING CITY.

AFRO-AMERICAN PROGRESSION—A WEDDING.

Hopkinsville Ky., Special.

This flourishing little city in south-west Kentucky has a population of about 8,000 equally divided between the white and colored races. We have two railroads the St, Louis division and the L. & N. and is at present the terminis of the O. V. in this section. Hopkinsville is surrounded by a number of small towns which add largely to the bulk trade. We have electric and gas lights owned by private corporations. Forbes & Bro's. large carpentry and general machine works employs from 175 to 200 hands Many of whom are first class colored mechanics and artists. About one hundred houses have been built here within the last twelve months. This is a great tobacco district and there are several large warehouses here. Corn, wheat, and other products are grown in large quanties. Smoking, chewing tobacco, and cigars are manufactured here and find ready market for all that is turned out. The flour made here is also in great demand. Real estate is advancing rapidly. Our merchants possess push and energy not excelled by any place of its size in the state. We have three colored groceries who do a thriving business viz., A. C. Brent, J. R. Hawkins, and Peter Postell. The last mentioned is considered the richest man in the state. There are three lively saloons conducted by the following energetic colored men, N. W. Kirpatric, Phelps Brothers and Owsley and Pendlton. Principal Tonsorial parlors Jones and Banks, Boyd and Poole, W. W. Gray, and Quarles and Major. We have three handsome brick churches two Missionary Baptist and one Methodist Episcopal church. We have one colored lawyer in the person of R. N. Landers. This young orator is rapidly working his way to the front. A. C. Banks is a real estate and collecting agent. We have in secret societies the Union Benevolent society which owns the cemetery in which all of the colored dead are buried and the United Brothers and Sisters of Friendship who own a handsome and commodius two story brick hall with beautiful park attached. Colored men sit in the jury box and are not barred from the many avenues of labor by the white trade unions as in other city. Freeman and Smith are the leading stone contractors. Mrs. Mitchem, widow of the late James Mitchem will move to Chicago soon. Mrs. Dr. Lillard will go to Oklahoma about the 8th of Jan. '93 to join her husband who has located there. Mr. George Boyd and Miss J. Ella Hooser were wedded at Liberty Street C. M. E. Church on the 13th inst Rev. M. C. Pierce officiating An elegant reception was given after the marriage by Mr. and Mrs. Hooser at their beautiful home on 22nd street. The coming of Prof G. H, Bell of St. Louis, and the musical treat he will give us on the 29th and 30th of December is looked forward to with much interest. The writer lectured at Allensville, on the 15th inst. in the interest of the United Brothers and Sisters of Friendship, from thence to Russelville on official business concerning the above named order. We visited the public schools and was agreeably surprised to see so many young men at the school taught by Prof, C. C. Vaughan, that great and good man whom the white press has been glad to notice in an unpleasant way. The snap judgement indictment that this scholarly divine was forced to answer was intended to kill Mr. Vaughan's influence but the powder was not genuine and the hero still lives. The Knights of Wise Men and Ladies' chamber has been converted into the new society United Brothers and Sisters of the world.



SENATOR JOHN P. GREEN,
Of Ohio.

City Paragraphs.

John McAfee, of Beeler street, is ill.

James Rich died Wednesday, Dec. 15th.

Miss Ella Richards is visiting friends in Peoria, Ill.

George Bolden, of North Indianapolis, died last Sunday.

Marriage bells are ringing in the southeast part of the city.

WANTED—A position as clerk by a young lady of a good character, fair education and agreeable disposition.

W. D. Driver and F. W. Dabney, of Cincinnati, are in the city.

Wessie Logan died Dec. 18th. Remains shipped to Jeffersonville for burial.

W. H. Pickle, a member of the Cleveland, O., bar was in the city on legal business.

Miss Essie Johnson is exciting much admiration by her painting and crayon work.

Rev. E W. S. Hammond preached at the Second Baptist Church last Sunday morning.

William Bell, an old citizen of Indianapolis well known in hotel circles, died Friday, Dec. 16th.

Mrs. Cassie Jones Jackson, formerly of this city, now of Madison, Ind., is in the city with a view to locating.

Messrs. Dudley and David Taylor, of Louisville, attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Margaret Ewing.

Miss Nellie Tate, stenographer on The Freeman, has been sick and unable to attend her duties for several days.

Mrs. Harry Jones entertains at her home this (Saturday), afternoon, from 2 until 6, in honor of her visitors from Chicago and Omaha.

William Franklin, 66 N. Missouri street, has reopened and refitted his lodging house and is ready for the public. Terms reasonable.

Thomas Rogister and George Jasper have opened a poultry house on N. Howard street, at the stand formerly occupied by Chas Rogers, grocer.

Santa Claus will visit the children at the Ninth Presbyterian Church to-night, Dec 24th, at 8 p. m. Parents and friends are cordially invited.

The Franklin House, No. 66 North Missouri street, has been remodled in its entirety, and is now ready for the reception of guests. Terms reasonable.

The Hood literary society, under the management of S. G. Givens, is in a prosperous condition. Meets every Tuesday night at Lovely Lane Church. Miss Minnie McMurtry, sec'y.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Kelly was held Sunday, Dec. 18th, at Simpson Chapel, under the auspices of the United Sisters of Friendship. Rev. Furgeson officiated, assisted by Revs. Bowman and Simmons.

Franklin, personal.—Miss Lola Johnson, of Chicago, will be the guest of Miss Hattie Fossett during the holiday week. The lady is a vocalist of rare accomplishment, and has consented to appear in concert the 29th.

A grand Emancipation celebration will be held at Odd Fellows' Hall, Jan. 2nd, under management of Rev. R. M. Turner and S. G. Givens. The city's best talent has been secured and the day will be commemorated in a befitting manner.

Rev. W. S. Tildon, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of Danville, Ky., wil occupy the pulpit at the Ninth Presbyterian Church to-morrow morning. Rev. Tildon is a former classmate of Rev. O. A. Williams, whose guest he will be during the holidays.

Sudden Death.

Rev. I, J. Jack, pastor of St. Phillips Episcopal Church, this city, expired suddenly at his lodging place, No. 406 Blackford street, Tuesday morning. He had not previously complained of any ailment, and had just finished taking his breakfast when, throwing his arms wildly about, he exclaimed: "O Lord, Mrs. Robey!" addressing his landlady, and immediately fell dead. Deceased had been a resident of the city some months, having come from Missouri early last fall to assume the Rectorship of St. Phillip's Church, located on Minerva street. He was a native of one of the West Indies. He was a widower with two daughters and a son, of whom he often spoke and expected to join him here early in the spring. He was a Christian gentleman in all the term implies, and was well educated and qualified to dischhage the duties of his profession. His sudden and unlooked for demise was most sad, and our heart is moved with sympathy for his little family in their far off Island home, who, as yet, may not be aware of his death.

A Chance for Young Men

We want to secure the service of an honest sober, industrious young man to represent The Freeman in each of the following cities

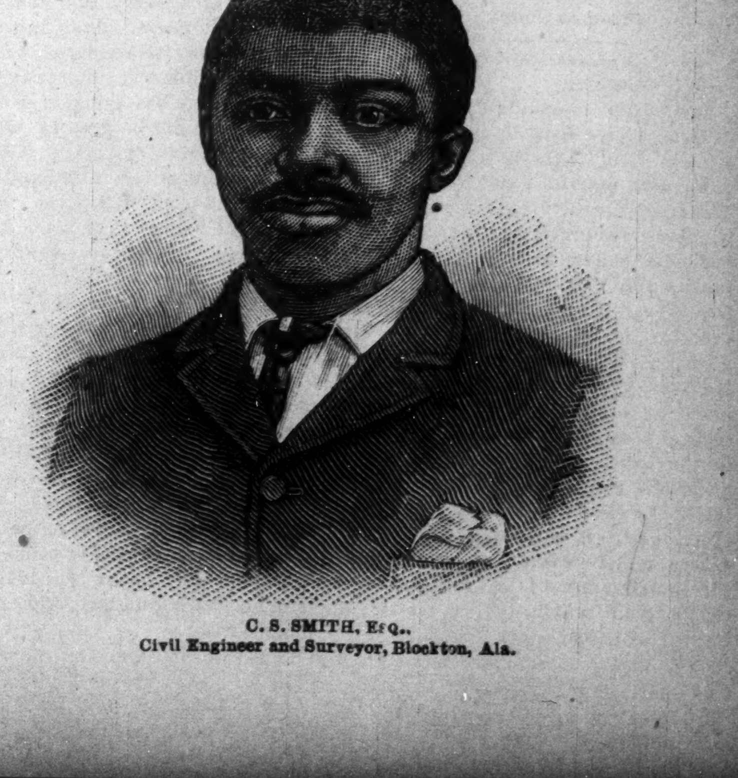
Columbus, Ohio.	Cincinnati, Ohio.
Atlanta, Ga.	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Vicksburg, Miss.	Augusta, Ga.
Natchez, Miss,	Jackson, Miss.
Kansas City, Mo.	Topeka, Kan.
St. Paul, Minn.	Washington, D. C
New Haven, Conn.	Boston, Mass.
New York City.	Richmond, Va.
Salsbury, N. C.	Raleigh, N. C.

Do you live in one of these cities just named? Would you like to secure a good, permanent paying situation? The applicant must be a person of good habits, fair education and one who means business. The applicant should also send first class reference. We will guarantee from $40 to $80 per month to the right person if you want the position, write at once for full information and particulars

WOULD NOT DO WITHOUT IT.

Dear sir:—I like your paper and would not do without it.

E. Morris,
Danville, Va.



C. S. SMITH, Esq.,
Civil Engineer and Surveyor, Blockton, Ala.

General News.

A SON OF MISSISSIPPI,

CHARLES SUMNER SMITH, A SUCCESSFUL MINING SURVEYOR.

In this issue of The Freeman we take pleasure in presenting to our readers the portrait of Charles Sumner Smith, born in Rodney, Jefferson county, Mississippi. At an early age he commenced to thirst for knowledge, and at 5 years old his parents started him to school. He went to school from 5 years of age to 15, during this period had gained all the knowledge there could be gained in a common school course. His parents did not have the means to send him to College, so immediately after leaving school he worked hard and assisted his father to support the family, which was a mother, and three sisters younger than himself. While working, he attended night school, reviewed all branches he had studied in day school, and when he had reached the age of 20 had added several Scientific studies to that he had already learned, which made him a very good scholar in some of the English branches. While working and schooling himself at night, he assisted his sisters in school, and with his assistance the two eldest girls elevated themselves in the degree to enter Alcorn A and M. College, and while attending College, they were assisted by him throughout one session. After that they went out as school teachers and are now teaching in the State of Mississippi under first grade certificates. In January, 1887, he left home for Vicksburg, Miss., and secured employment in a spoke and hub factory. In this work he rendered entire satisfaction, worked his way from 50 cents per day to $1 50, and was one of the best skilled workmen in the factory. In November, '87, the factory was destroyed by fire, then he made his way to Birmingham, Ala. From there he wandered in the coal mining region about Blue Creek, (In Jan. '88). There secured a position with the Mining surveyor, worked around until Jan. '89, then left for Blocton, in the Cahaba coal fields. There got a position with the Mining surveyor, received instructions in the work, and since that time up to the present he has devoted his time, when not at work, studying surveying at night. It had always been his desire when quite a small boy to learn surveying and drawings of architecture. He is perfect in making drawings for buildings, bridges, railroad trestles, etc, and estimates the cost of construction. And is now employed by the Cahaba Coal Mining Co. as one of the Mining surveyors at Blocton, Ala.

Sons of Veterans.

Mappsville, Va. Special.

Sam'l Staton, colored who was incarcerated at Drummontown for lunacy was taken to his home in Tarboro, N. C. Miss Josephine Phillips one of our county public school teachers was married recently to Mr. John Gaskins. We are glad to note the organization of the Sons of Veterans at Mappsville. This is another of the numerous societies at this place and although very young it is in a very prosperous condition. The semi-annual session of the Grand Lodge of Va. A. P. A. convened at Mesongos on Tuesday Dec. 13th. Delegates from all over the states were present. Mr. G. E. Blair has been successful in prosecuting another pension case for an ex-soldier in Savageville who received $2,038. Let us hope that he will invest it wisely.

The proposed high school is a certainty. The ground has been purchased and the young people especially in Accomac county are making great efforts for its accomplishment. The denominational line has been broken down and all Methodists and Baptists are working with a vim. The teachers have secured the Williams band to render music at their competitive concert in January. This is the only concert band in Accomac County.

Preached for a Cake.

Gretna, La., Special.

One of our most distinguished men of Gretna died Saturday, Joseph Carpenter. He leaves a widow and two daughters married; also a son-in-law, Henry Peterson. Mr. Carpenter leaves property amounting to $1,(00; was a deacon of the Second R. A. B church, pastored by Rev. F. Coleman, has been for years. He was a member of the the life insurance company of Virginia: his widow wil get a large sum. He was 58 years old. Funeral took place on Sunday. Last Sunday night several preachers preached for a handsome cake. They realized $5.45 also there was a cake walk at Gasper's Hall. Lewis Badger took the cake. Quite a contest will be on the 18th for several gold watches of which Miss Martha Hammond is in contest for a $20 00 gold watch. Miss Hattie E. Brown will conduct the contest.

EKSTIEN NORTON UNIVERSITY.

LOCATED AT CANE SPRINGS KY. A NOTABLE INDUSTRIAL, INTELLECTUAL HOME.

The Ekstien Norton University was founded by the late Rev. W. J. Simmons, D. D L. L. D. and Rev. H. H. Parisn, A, M. in 1889 at Cane Spring Bullit Co Ky. It opened its first session October, 1, 1890 with Rev. Simmons as Chancellor and Rev. Parish as President. The work since that time has been a marked success and has matriculated students representing 13 states, Difficulties have beset it on all sides; the first month of the first year the Chancellor died and in the second it lost its building by fire and a teacher by death yet amid all it has succeeded in erecting a new building and making many friends. The object of the school is to give to the young men and women, a trade and thereby enable them to cope with any in the industrial as well as intellectual world. The development of the race morally, intellectually and physically is its highest aim. It can well boast of a competent faculty and it is able to satisfy all who come for the purpose of being benefitted. Terms $8,00 per month including board, washing tuition, room, fuel and light. Departments are now in operation, viz carpentering, dressmaking, tailoring, blacksmithing, Business College, short hand and typewriting, plain sewing, literary, musical conservatory and household ethics. Like Oberlin, Berea and others it had its humble begining yet Eckstien Norton University is destined to stand among the foremost of its kind. It has every advantage because of its location and its large number of acres which are a part of it. The climate being healthful and invigorating together with its quiet surroundings makes it a place to be sought after by all young men and women who wish to make most of their opportunity, It has the only musical conservatory that is to be found in any school for our people. Its course of music is thorough and complete, having for its instructors, graduates from Oberlin Conservatory of music. Any one of ordinary ability may in a few months play sacred music. Any specific information may be gotten from the President, Rev. C. C. Parish.

New Lewisville, Ark.

This busy little town of hardly four year's growth, has about 2,000 inhabitants, equally divided between the races, The colored people are buying property and building houses. There are here six churches as follows: Three Methodist, two Baptist and one Presbyterian. The two large saw mills employ not less than 350 or 400 Afro-Americans. Masonic and U. B. F. are the secret societies here among the colored people. The Australian ballot system worked wonderfully good for the Democracy in this Republican county of 400 majority. Everything in the county Democratic, which has not been before since surrender. Welcome Watson, a Master Free Mason, died recently. His wife gets $200 from the lodge. The following are some of the colored men owning property here and its value: Messrs. I. W. Evans, $800; B. F Fallings, $1,100; M. C. Thomas, $1,400; Chas. Barnes, $400; Chas. Herndon and Bro., $400; M M. Murray, $4,000; James McDonald, $500; John Williams, $900, and a host of others.

The Improvement Club.

Americus, Ga., Special.

There is not a more charming social organization in the city than the Improvement Club. Recently the Club met at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Covington. Their home has that hospitable air pervading it, which makes every one feel himself an honored guest. A delightful programme was well rendered, each feature being intensely interesting. Miss M. L. Jenkins has gone to Knoxville, Tenn. She will be greatly missed by the club. Mr. and Mrs. Covington tendered the guests a delicious oyster supper and other delicacies. The club met at the residence of Miss Ellen M. Neal last Tuesday evening. The Freeman can be found at all times at M. C. Hankin's barber shop. The A. M. E. Church are pleased with their new preacher. Rev. J. A. Ragin, pastor of the C. M. E Church, attended conference at Albany, Ga. The reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jones was a brilliant affair. The guests were received in the magnificent drawing rooms. The decorations were of palms and roses. Mrs. Jones wore an exquisite toilet of pink brocaded satin made en traine and trimmed with gold lace, and carried La France roses.

FLORIDA TO NEW ENGLAND.

Observations by Rev. Cæsar A. A. Taylor.

Accompanied by Mrs. Taylor, I started April 27, 1892, from Jacksonville, Fla., arriving at Savannah, Ga., same evening. We took lodging with Mrs. Isabella Russell, and board with her daughter, Mrs. M Hall, who conducts a first-class restaurant. The people, generally, did much for our happiness, and especially Rev. G. T. Strickland and family, Rev. Dr. J. B. Lofton, who owns a palatial mansion corner Cuyler and Russell streets, and our friend, the eloquent pastor of St. James A. M. E. church, Rev. S. C, Powell. Embarking in the Merchant's and Miner's Transportation company's palatial steamer, "Alleghany," we had a delightful first-class ocean voyage to Baltimore, Md., the city of Negro brain and culture. Here we met and were courteously entertained by friends. There are many finely furnished houses in Baltimore. My stay was made pleasant by the following journalistic lights: Rev. A. Brown, "Baptist Messenger;" J. A. Williams, editor of "Christian Progress;" J. O. Wright, "Examiner," and H. H. Smith, editor of "Temperance News," and proprietor of one of the two largest publishing establishments in Baltimore

Bidding adieu to the Monumental City, its aggregation of wealth, brain, culture and general enterprise, we proceeded to Philadelphia, where the general conference of the great A. M E. church convened. The 100,000 readers of The Freeman have already read the account or the reports of the proceedings of that remarkable gathering of 325 delegates, and thousands of visitors from all parts of the world, at the legislative assembly of the greatest body of distinctly Negro churches in the universe, numbering near 700,000 members, with missions, churches, schools, colleges and universities, in Africa, Hayti and Canada, as well as in the United States, where thirty-two institutions of learning are maintained, with 123 teachers and 4,118 students; with a property value of $457,775 and an annual income of $80.-025 47. Nearly 5,000 churches, the total value at more than $12,000,000, including parsonages, Sunday School Union building, the only church in America owning such a finance department building, and a church publishing house where all the A. M. E. church literature is issued from. A general Missionary department and Bible house, at New York, with Rev. Dr. W. B. Derrick at the head, and Rt. Rev H. M. Turner, D. D., LL. D., president; a tract department at Montgomery, Ala., Rt. Rev. A. Grant, D. D., president; Rev. R. M. Cheeks, secretary. The vice-presidents being: Rev. W. G. Alexander, A. B., Birmingham, Ala.; Rev. R. D. Brooks, Mobile, Ala., and Rev. S. L. Mimms, Birmingham, Ala. A Church Extension society, Rt. Rev. A. Grant, D. D., president; Rev. Dr. C. T. Shaffer, secretary, at Philadelphia, (appointed by the last council of bishops.) Rev. Wm. H. Heard, D. D., ex-pastor of old Bethel, and now at Wilmington, Del., did much for our pleasure at the general conference, and others whom we held in grateful remembrance.

After a month's stay in the Quaker City, we went to New York City by way of Trenton, N. J. Arriving at New York, we were sumptuously entertained by Jacob H. Simms, attorney at law, also superintendent of Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school. I preached and lectured for, and was dined by the Grand Army hero, Rev. J. R. B. Smith, editor of "New York Echo," and state committeeman. We also met Rev. Geo. W. Clinton, A, B., ex-editor of "Afro-American Spokesman," who is conducting the "Star of Zion;" and Rev. Jehu Holliday, D. D., general book steward, of Allegheny City. I also met Rev. Dr. W. B. Derrick, the modern Demosthenes and Rosco Conkling of the A. M. E. church, and many other noted divines.

Leaving New York we arrived at Port Chester, where I preached at the Asbury Memorial M. E. church, (white). Rev. S. O. Cintice, the pastor, did much for my success, as did C. D. Camp and Miss A. W. Park, of the "Journal." and the editors of the "Gazette," and "Enterprize."

June the 24th, we journied on to Stamford, Conn. Mrs. Ada Nelson, The Freeman representative, and her husband and interesting family entertained us at their cosy home. Rev. M. J. Haskins, a Baptist clergyman did much to our joy. The route from New York to Stamford is made beautiful by the homes of New York millionaires, surrounded without and within in oriental splendor. The streets are beautifully laid out, and the drives delightful, leading four miles along the Long Island Sound, over hill and through dale, heavily shaded with foliage and enhanced by the salt ocean breeze. The eye is gladdened by the picturesque grounds and well kept lawns, closing in around antique designed turretted castle.

Thence on to Norwalk, Conn. Norwalk and South Norwalk is the home of many bright, well informed and enterprising colored people, among whom we mention: Oswald R. Smith, Esq, Freeman representative, Norwalk; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Benjamin and many others. Mr. and Mrs. M, R. Kundson did much for our pleasure. Mr. Kundson is a wealthy white philanthropist, who has built a fine combination church, hall and college, for the free use of the public. He conducts educational work, preaching services, Sunday school, free lectures and elevating amusements. He is also a philologist and general philosopher. I preached and lectured in his hall. The press and people, both white and colored, united in making our stay a delight. Hon. Jas. W. Hyattt, United States Treasurer under Cleveland, also resides here.

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A MATTER OF TASTE.

EARLY MORNING CALLER—"Can you not understand Florence that these rude kissing plays when indulged in too freely, simply creates an appetite that becomes at last very hard to curb?"

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There will be a grand concert given at the M. E. church some time during the Christmas holidays. The Baptist church has recently been seated with a three hundred dollars. At a recent cake walk six couples walked for a prize which was won by Misses Sarah Grammar and Gertie Adams. Rev. D. L. Topp, of Jackson Miss. returned to Carthage on the 4th inst. accompanied by Rev, J. W. Fitz, of Lamar, Mo. Messrs. R. A. Byrd, and N. T. Green are planning to spend the holidays in Kansas City. Mrs R. Rush is very sick. The average per cent of attendance of the Lincoln School is above 96 for the past three months. The Union League Society is doing work. The city is cordially invited to take an active part.

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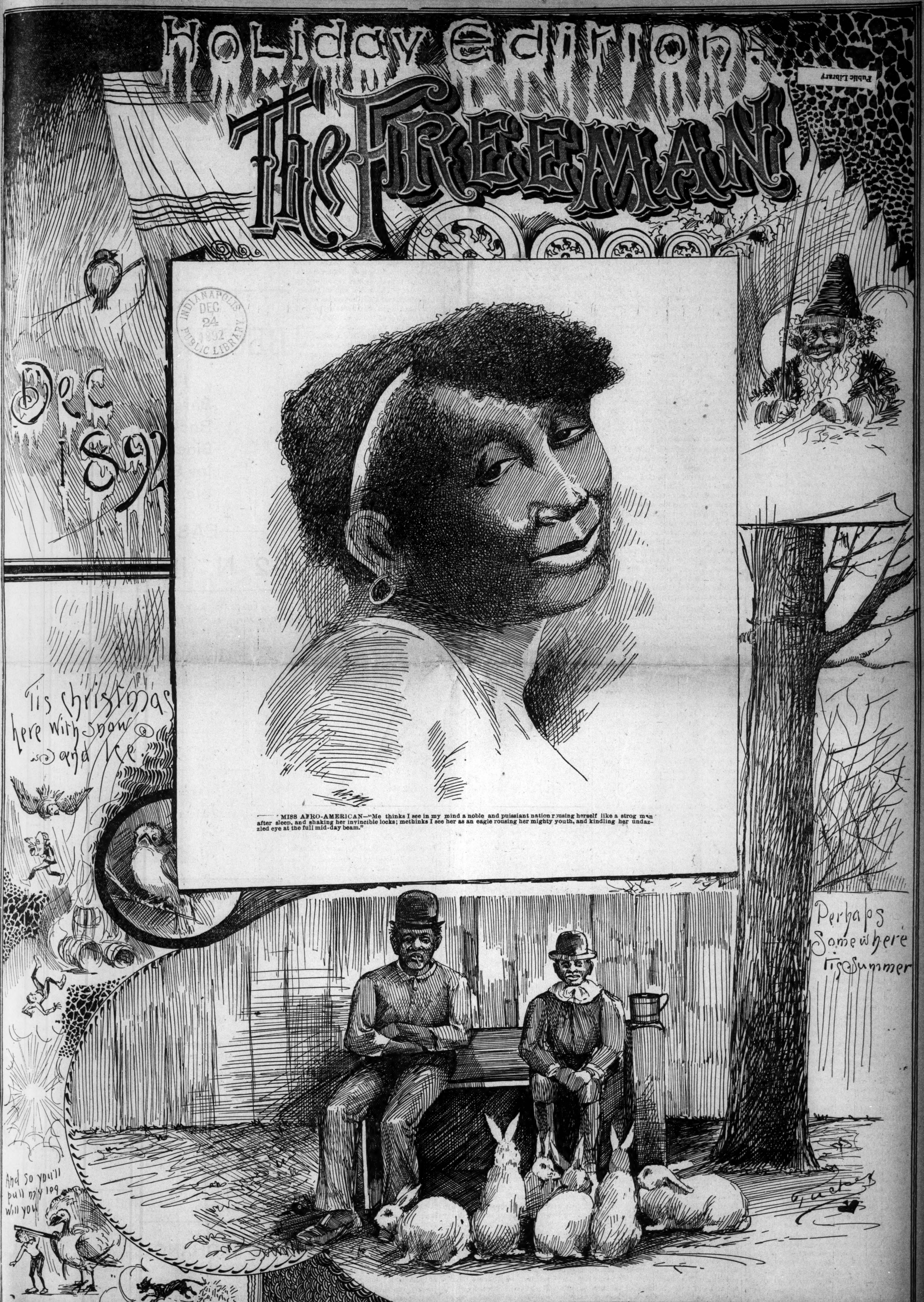

"MISS AFRO-AMERICAN—"Me thinks I see in my mind a noble and puissiant nation rousing herself like a strog man after sleep, and shaking her invincible locks; methinks I see her as an eagle rousing her mighty youth, and kindling her undazzled eye at the full mid-day beam."

Rev. I. S. Moultrie died at Edisto Island S. C. recently.

Cards announce the marriage of Rev. P. W. Greatheart, of Albany, Ga., to Miss Nancy Lay.

Rev. Wesley Parker, a well known M. E, divine died at his home in Philadelphia, Friday Dec. 2nd.

The annual conference of the S. Carolina district convened at Greenville, Dec. 1st Bishop Salter and Gains presiding.

Rev. E. H. Colt, a prominent divine in the M. E. church, has left that connection and joined the, A. M. E Church,

The Wylie Avenue church people of Pittsburgh, Pa., contemplate building a large business block, The cost is to be $50,000.

C. H. Thomas, presiding elder of the Chicago district held his first quarterly at St. Mark's A. M. E Church Milwaukee, Dec. 4th.

Mrs. Amanda Smith, the great colored evangelist and Dr. J. M. Townsend will spend Sunday Jan. 1st at Quinn Chapel Chicago.

Bethel A. M. E. Church, New York City raised $1,200 at their rally Sunday Dec. 4th, Rev. J. B. Stansbury, and Bishop B. T. Tanner preached.

Rev. Green, formerly of Topeka, Kan., recently of Cleveland, O., has gone to Atlanta, Ga., where he will organize a Protestant Episcopal Church and a parish school.

Rev. William P. Corbitt, (white) who has been instrumental in the conversion of 10,000 souls and who influenced Rev Dewitt Talmage to become a preacher died at New York recently He had been in the ministry 50 years.

At the recent meeting in New York, of the Missionary Society of the M. E Church, Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, pastor of Asbury M. E. Church, Washington, D. C., was elected Assistant Missionary Field Agent for the southern states.

NATIONAL EMANCIPATION MONUMENT.

THE NATIONAL MONUMENT ASSOCIATION, AT SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—THE TEMPORARY MONUMENT, WORLD'S COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION APPEAL FOR FUNDS TO PUSH THE PERMANENT WORK.

MR. EDITOR: The Board of Directors of the above named Association beg leave to call the attention of your readers to the following facts:

That they were duly incorporated as an association under the laws of the State of Illinois, August 3, 1889 for the purpose of erecting a monument to commemorate the emancipation of the slaves of the United States, and to be dedicated to the memory of the colored soldier and sailor who fell in the late war.

That Commissioner General, G. W. Bryant, immediately after his appointment and in discharge of his duties to solicit and collect funds and organize legions for the association, visited Chicago and at the solicitation of citizens of that city did on the 21st of June 1891 make application to the park commissioners, of Jackson park for a site to erect a temporary or model monument for the World's Columbian Exposition, and the Chicago Daily Herald, July 4th. 91 gave a cut of the monument, a history of the the same and championed the cause.

Mr. S. Bullard, architect of the association, presented a petition to the expo-commissioners, April '92, which was referred to Mr. H B. Stone, chairman of the grounds and building committee; on May 14th, the petition was referred to Mr. D. H. Durham, chief of consideration, when Mr. Bullard architect went to Chicago the second time and addressed the commission in the associations behalf, and pressed the plea for a site for the temporary monument, and cited the fact that the president of the commission had endorsed the movement.

On July 6th '92 Mr. Bullard architect of the association received the following letter from Mr. A. W. Sawyer, secretary of the commission: "S. A. Bullard, Esq. Dear Sir:—In reply to your communication of recent date, in reference to the erection of a National Emancipation Monument, permit me to inform you that the committee is in receipt of a report from the chief of construction to the effect that after a careful consideration, he is obliged to say that there is no available space for said purpose. A. W. Sawyer, secretary.

We asked for a space of 55x55 feet and after promise upon promise for a year and over, the commissioners of the World's Columbian Exposition, imbued with a spirit of hate, and actuated by a caste prejudice that has characterised their every ruling in the recognition of the colored race, they ruled us out, even though the crowning act of American valor and principle was Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, and the bravery of the colored soldier and sailor who "snatched victory from defeat" and saved the Union flag.

Commissioner General Bryant was at that time in the East, and attacks were made upon the validity of the association, "A good cause makes a stout heart and a strong arm" and now we appeal to the loyal Americans, to comrades in arms, to patriots of every sex, political party, denomination and race to help us push the work on the permanent monument.

Already a number of G. A. R Posts and friends have contributed and a due acknowledgement of Post contributions was made to the Commander in Chief of the G. A. R. last August 28th. Our commissioner, Gen. Dr. G. W. Bryant is pushing the work of organization; let every member of the legions send in a contribution of at least one dollar as a "special offering" in honor of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Proclamation of Emancipation. Lovers of the memory of Lovejoy, Garrison, Phillips, Brown, Sumner, Elliot Lincoln and admirers of Douglass, "the old man eloquent," rally, rally, rally to the cause at once.

Persons desiring lithographs of the monument can get them from Jas. W. Young, treasurer, Leland Hotel Springfield Ill.

All persons forwarding contributions will please do so by registered letter, money order, postal note or by express.

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Trenton, N J. Special.

Cap. Ruben Transom, a well known man, was araigned in Mercer County Court for trial on the charge of carnal abuse upon Eliza Hubbard 14 years of age Tuesday Dec. 6th, The Captain is one of the best known men in the city his trial attracted a large crowd of colored people. Transom is one of the crack cake walkers of the state. The Jury was out 30 hours they brought in a verdict of not guilty. Mr. Wm. Vincint, the tonsorial artist, is out again after two months illness H. P. Stewart of the Hotel Windsor and Miss Jennie Dart were married at Greenville S. C, Wednesday Dec. 14th. J. P. Jackson having refitted his cigar store is open for business again. John Higgins paid a flying visit to friends in New York last week. Miss Minnie Case are visiting relatives in Belvidere. The Capital Club are making arrangements for their 2nd annual ball in Feb rurary. Trenton will be gay with entertainment this winter.

The U. S. Army.

Fort Bayard, N. M., Special.

It is with great difficulty that a writer puts before the public the entire situation and condition of the U. S. Army. It is an organization that is improving every day in its quarters for both enlisted men and officers, its rations, its styles of uniforms, its material of men that they are enlisting for the army, its disciplines, etc. Of course our uniforms are not gold and silver corded, as is the Lancers, Hussars, Uhlans, Draggons and Cuirassiers of the English Army, but of the four Regiments of colored soldiers their uniforms are of the same type as those of their white brother soldiers. For instance, if one should see a Troop of the 9th Cavalry (colored), and a Troop of the 6th Cavaly (white), on their Army horses in any of our cities in the East, you would see the same buff adornment upon their costumes the same ornament on their helmets, with the exception of the number,—one a figure 9 and the other the figure 6,—and under the helmets of the 6th Cavalry you would find the faces of white men and under those of the 9th Cavalry you would find colored men. It is the opinion of some of our citizens that the soldiers of the Army are men of degraded characters, but should any one drop in the little garrison of Fort Bayard, N. M., which is under the skillful management of Col. Zenns R. Bliss, and see the conduct of his soldiers, the Christian organization, governed by Chaplain Allensworth, and the instruction of vocal music by Prof. R A. Scott, with the assistance of Nathaniel R. Albright, Mr. and Mrs. Fuller, tenor and soprano, and others, you would be convinced that our condition is good, and under the control of a bonafide officer of the U. S Army.

FIGS AND THISTLES.

A sore eye hates the light.

God never fails to promote the faithful worker.

Culture is only polish. It does not change the heart.

The man who most deserves a paper does not need it.

What is the good of good that does not do somebody good?

Pure sugar never sours or gets mouldy. Pure religion is like it.

When sin tries to hide it forgets that it cannot cover up its tracks.

If you want to live long, don't try to live more than one day at a time,

Thank God for your trials, and the grace He gives you to bear them.

When a lazy man looks towards Heaven the angles close the windows

Every step the wicked man takes is a step toward his own destruction.

The soul that is to live forever should not try to live on things that perish.

It does not take an eloquent tongue to give a pleasant sound to good news

Job had boils to be sure, but then he didn't have any newspaper portrait.

Christ will not remain in any heart where his commandments are not kept

God's work is most hindered by people who are unfaithful in little things.

A good man always brings more into the homes he visits than he takes away.

A hint to churches—ice is never allowed to stay long in front of a saloon.

The fact that a man wants more knowledge is proof that he has some already.

When you want to see the crooked made straight, look at a railroad map. —Ram's Horn.

THE GRAVEYARD OF THE OCEAN.

The Great Sargasso Sea that is the Center of the Atlantic Current.

For several years past the hydrographic bureau at Washington has been trying to acquire a more intimate knowledge of the movements of the waters of the ocean, and a great number of bottles, containing messages and securely corked, have been dropped overboard by vessels. Many of these have floated thousands of miles before they were picked up, and, while some were washed upon native and foreign shores, many have found their way into the great Sargasso sea. From the course taken by these different bottles it has been found that the ocean currents move around in a vast circle. Those which were dropped overboard on the American coast took a northerly course, while those on the European side floated toward the south. Bottles dropped overboard in the north Atlantic started toward the northeast, and those from the African or Spanish coast floated almost directly west until they reached the West India islands The general direction of the currents were thus ascertained, showing that the waters acted upon by the winds and currents circulated round and round like a pool.

In all pools floating objects are quickly cast aside of the revolving currents, or they are carried with them in their circular route for some time, until they are washed nearer the center or side of the pool. The bottles that were forced outside of the currents of the ocean were cast upon the shores of some country, but those which were worked toward the center eventually worked their way in the calm waters of the Sargasso sea. Here they remain peacefully until picked up by some vessel, or until some storm casts them back into the great pool.

Vessels very rarely visit the great sea in the middle of the ocean, but occasionally they are driven there by storms or adverse winds. Strange sights meet the gaze of the sailors at such times. Wonderful sights—partly true and partly false—have been told by sailors returning from a forced trip to the vast Sargasso sea. The surface of the sea is covered with floating wrecks, spars, seaweed, boxes, fruit and a thousand other innumerable articles. It is the great repository or storehouse of the ocean, and all things which do not sink to the bottom or are not washed upon the shores are carred to the center of the sea. When one considers the vast number of wrecks on the ocean, and the quantity of floating material that is thrown overboard, a faint idea of the wreckage in the Sargasso sea may be conceived.

Derelicts, or abandoned vessels, frequently disappear in mysterious ways, and no accounts are given of them for years by passing vessels. Then suddenly, years later, they appear again in some well-traveled route to the astonishment of all. The wrecks are covered with mud and green slime, showing the long, lonesome voyage which they have passed through It is generally supposed that such derelicts have been swept into the center of the pool and remained in the Sargasso sea until finally cast out by some unusually violent storm.

The life in this sea is interesting. Solitary and alone the acres of waters, covered with debris, stretch out as the vast graveyard of the ocean, seldom being visited by vessels or human beings. Far from all trading routes of vessels, the sight of a sailor or steam vessel is something unusual. The fishes of the sea form the chief life of these watery solitudes. Attracted by the vast quantities of wreckage floating in the sea, and also by the gulf-weed on which many of them live, they swarm around in great numbers. The small fishes live in the intricate avenues formed by the seaweed, and the more ferocious denizens of the deep come hither to feed upon the quantities of small fish. In this way the submarine life of the Sargasso sea is made interesting and lively.

The only life overhead is that made by a few sea birds, that occasionally reach the solitude of this mid-ocean cemetery. A few of the long flyers of the air penetrate to the very middle of the ocean, but it is very rarely that this occurs. Some have been known to follow vessels across the ocean keeping at a respectful distance from the stern. Other birds have been swept out to sea by storms and have finally found refuge in in the Sargasso sea. Still others, taking refuge on some derelict, have been gradually carried to the same mid-ocean scene. There is sufficient food floating on the surface, or to be obtained from the fishes which live among the forests of seaweed, to support a large colony of birds. It is surmised that many of those found in the sea have inhabited those regions for years, partly from choice and partly from necessity. Birds swept out there by storms would not care to venture the long trip to land, and finding an abundance of food and wrecks on which to rest and rear their young, they might easily become contented with their strange lot. Just how far the strong-winged sea birds can fly without resting is all conjectural, but it is doubtful if many of them would undertake such a long journey seaward with no better prospects ahead than dreary wastes of water.—Detroit Free Press.

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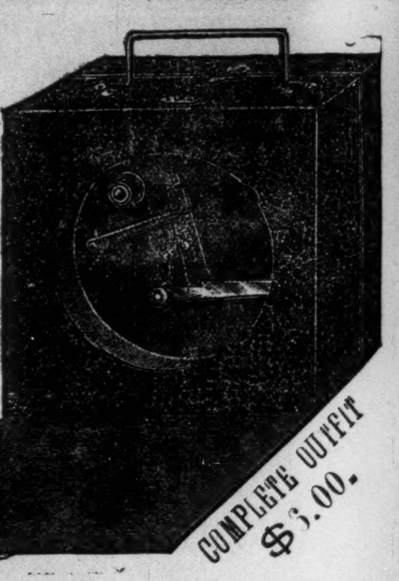

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NO ROYAL ROAD TO PROGRESS

For the Negro.

BY FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

Therefore Get Wisdom: and with all Thy Getting, get Understanding—Proverbs.

The "FREEMAN" wants for its Christmas number a word from me, one which shall be along the line of race advancement, and that word, though feeble, shall not be withheld. Every reader must know that it is a difficult thing for any man at this stage of its discussion, to say anything original or striking upon any side of the question of Negro progress, whether reference be had to what has been achieved, or to what remains to be achieved. The whole field, as to the means to be adopted and the course to be pursued to better the condition of the Negro, has been my thought during a long life, and I have nothing better to offer now than I had fifty years ago, and perhaps I may say without vanity, that there is, as I think, nothing better to be offered. For the Negro, there is no royal road to success. Like all other men he must travel the old road, even though he must do so with weary limbs and bleeding feet.

Now that our people have become readers, I would commend not only the columns of the able and many sided "FREEMAN" to their earnest attention, but also the Book of Proverbs, from which my text is taken. No where else can better advice for a career of usefulness and succes be found than in this one Book of Solomon's wisdom. These Proverbs are as well adapted to us and our condition now as they were to the Hebrew children and their times. In the condition of these people and our own there are many obvious points of resemblance. They were carried away from their own country into captivity; so were we. They were compelled to toil under harsh, exacting and cruel taskmasters; so were we. They were enslaved by a people of a different race from themselves; so were we. They were hated most by those whom they had served best; so were we. They were dreaded by their oppressors because of their increase in number; so were we. They were prescribed and set apart for the finger of scorn of all other people; so were we. They were defrauded of their earnings; so were we. They were denied employment at useful and lucrative trades; so were we. They were made an offence for their race and features; so were we. They were deemed unfit for civil and social rights; so were we. They were victims of blows and insults; so were we. They were often subjected to stripes; so were we. They were on all sides compelled to submit to the assaults of pride, force and fraud; so were we. They sometimes shed bitter tears over their hard lot; so have we. But these sturdy Hebrews never lost heart or hope, and to-day, in point of prosperity and civil condition they are the marvel of the world, making kings and princesses their dependents, and deciding the question of peace and war among nations. They have studied and practiced the wisdom of Solomon; so should we. They have succeeded in largely conquering the adverse conditions that surrounded them; so should we. The wise man has told them to get wisdom, and to get understanding; to learn of the ant to be industrious and prudent, and the same lesson should be learned by us if we would rise to a level with our surroundings. The hardships imposed, the straits to which they were subjected, called into exercise their heroic qualities. They developed hope from desperation, and manly courage from the power of the enemy they had to contend with and conquer; so should we.

I fear, my friends, that you have already become tired of my exhorting you to virtue, industry, self denial and the getting of property, as I have done so long and often as the best means of making the best of both worlds; of this world and the world to come; but what better can I do; or what better can our people do than to take such homely advice? Think of it. Is not our poverty our calamity? Can we ever be other than a despised people while we are uniformly poor and destitute? It may be, as you have often heard from the pulpit hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven; but is it not equally hard for a poor man to fit himself and his destitute children so as to enter that kingdom? I am for making the best of both worlds; and I am for making the best of this first, and for the further reason that I am better acquainted with this world than with any other. There is no wisdom in wearing rags on earth in the hope of wearing robes in heaven. A man who does not improve the opportunities which this world affords him to make himself perfect in all the attributes of true manhood, has given no assurance of any such improvement in any other world. It cannot be supposed that we may despise the gifts of God in this world and yet enjoy and improve them in the world to come. With these few hints, I say, go! my friends, to that grand old store house, the Book of Proverbs. Study its lessons, practice its wisdom, teach it to your children, and your condition will be better than it now is, when the next Christmas number of the "FREEMAN" shall be laid upon your table. If, in giving this counsel, you shall think that I have presumed too much upon my own wisdom and too little upon yours, pardon it, as coming from one who has grown gray in your service.

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ESSE QUAM VIRERI.

A Plea for the Genuine.

BY REV. D. F. RIVERS.

To be implies real existence. To seem is merely the shadow of existence. Being is indestructible; seeming is the shadow of that which is indestructible. These statements are true whether they be applied to industry, education, morality or religion. It is often said that we, as a race, need to be elevated, and the question continues to rise what must we do to be recognized as men and women and not as negroes only? Answers are given by way of suggestion, advice and persuasion, but it seems to me that the adoption of the much abused motto—"Esse quam vireri," with a convincing sense of its force and a firm determination to live up to its suggestion, is the best and only solution of the problem. The world existed before a name was given it. All its powers are in itself and not in its name. The earth per se is a store house from which we obtain things necessary to continue life. Its name is but a medium through which we discuss its merits and reality.

During the middle ages a controversy arose respecting the nature of our general or abstract ideas. Realists contended that the abstractions, beauty and right, had real existence apart from beautiful objects and right actions. Nominalists maintained that there is nothing general but names. All points of resemblance or difference are in names, and no independent facts or properties existed corresponding to them—thus making names greater than the objects which they represent. The theory of Realism is now generally accepted; that of Nominalism is specious. We have not as yet, emerged from the influence of Nominalism. If we have, we seem to be rushing into it again. Many of us place the greatest value upon names, titles and degrees rather than upon the things of which they are the exponents. We, that aspiring race, negroes, deal too largely in symbols—things which stand for things and are but emblems of professions. We need to be, rather than to seem.

In the clerical profession are men who wear high hats, standing collars fastened behind, vests and coats fitting close around the neck and the skirts of the coat in proximity with the ground. This peculiar garb with all its trivial details is the outward symbol of a gospel minister, and hence is donned by many who possess none of those attributes of heart and mind which are the first requisites of Christ's ministers.

Some go to college with the intention of obtaining the degree of B. D. at all hazards, while the knowledge to which the degree should be an unobtrusive witness is a secondary object. Others go farther and purchase the greater degree of D. D., though possessing no right to the lesser one of B. D., and will fall out with every negro journal which fails to affix the title to their names. At the same time those very D. D.'s, if put to the test, could not distinguish between Armenians, Calvinists, Universalists and orthodox Christians. Or if an infidel were to deny that the Bible was from Gcd and they were to attempt to prove the proposition false, they would soon be betrayed into a contradiction of terms, so that without being aware of it they must either argue themselves ignoramuses or infidels.

Even in some of our high schools and colleges this shadow chasing is indulged. Classes often wait until their college course is completed and their commencement preparations, or nearly so, before adopting a motto. At such a time no motto can impress the public with the thoroughness of their work better that "Esse quam vireri." And yet it is no unusual thing for college graduates, educated to be teachers and only a little while released from their alma mater, to prove themselves incompetent to teach the studies which they have pursued. In such cases it is evident that the student's ambition was to obtain the degree rather than make themselves worthy of the degree, and thus help to elevate their race by elevating themselves. No race can be so interested in helping us to keep pace with the age as ourselves. If our leaders are not equal to the leaders of other races, not only in name but in reality, how can the masses of our people be brought up to a level with that of others? Therefore the young men and women of our race who pursue literary, medical, legal and theological courses should be urged by the entire negro brotherhood to strive to become scholars. Let there be no obstacle so high that we cannot surmount; no difficulty so great that we cannot overcome. As long as there are in this country eight arrayed on one side against one Negro on the other, our leaders cannot afford to carry heads on their shoulders that are "bald on the inside." As long as our leaders have to fight against the great tide of prejudice from our own people, as well as that of others, we dare not be shams.

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn.

THE NEGRO MUST UNLEARN

And Learn Many Things.

BY PETER H. CLARK, ESQ.

One of the puzzling things about the Negro problem is that everybody, from the bootblack kneeling at his task to the bishop in his study, knows precisely what is the matter with the Negro, and what is more, each individual gives free exercise to his wisdom by prescribing a remedy. Yet the patient for whom they prescribe does not seem to mend rapidly. Either their diagnoses and prescriptions are wrong or the patient does not take the medicine.

Having for many years been aware of this state of affairs, it is with diffidence that I jot down a few things which I think we must unlearn and also a thing or two which I think we must learn.

We must unlearn the notion that mere numbers are of any consequence. Nobody cares for a forest full of hares. A single lion is more regarded than an army of sheep. In the days of Pericles twenty thousand free citizens held in subjection over four hundred thousand slaves. Seven and a half millions of discordant people, having no unity of purpose, no unity of action, are less to be regarded than a thousand earnest men banded with a common purpose and with an agreed plan of action.

We must unlearn the notion that the Negro's cause is to be won by appeals to the white man's generosity, to his sense of humanity, to his sense of justice.

Philosophy governs modern society, and philosophy has accepted the doctrine of Hobbes, viz: the existence of all things that have life is a struggle, and it concludes with Darwin that only the fittest survive. The appeals of the early abolitionists would, if made to this generation, fall upon deaf ears. The eloquence of Garrison, Phillips and Douglass would be unheeded. If they should assert the mental, moral and physical equality of the Negro, the scientific spirit of the age would say, prove it.

Here is the Old World with which the white man wrought. Its races, its climates, it lands, its seas are no more hostile to the Negro than they are to the white man. Let him go forth and conquer it! If he cannot, let him cease whining and take his place in the rear, where conquered men and races must go.

We must learn it is vain to complain of the white man's prejudices, and declare that they alone stand in the way of our full equality in this land. The classic story applies here. Hannibal said to the Roman Consul resting at ease in his entrenched camp, "If you are a General, come out and fight me." Said the Consul, "If you are a General, make me come out and fight you." The white man is resting in his entrenched camp, walled by selfishness and prejudices. In seven millions of people there is mental, moral and physical force enough to compel him to leave his camp, and come out into the open, where there will be a chance to dissipate his prejudices and win his regard. If we are Generals we will make that force effective.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

THE ROAD TO SUCCESS.

For the Negro.

BY A. P. FLINN, ESQ.

"The way to success?"

An easy way? Let us glance at the subject a moment before we attempt an answer.

I know a boy often looks at a very rich man, a great writer, a wonderful inventor, or a very great scholar, and wonders how each reached the very acme of success.

He knows at sometime that each was a child, that grew to be a boy, that grew to be a man. Nothing strange in this.

Perhaps he would like to stop each one, grasp him by the hand, and ask how he became so successful in his chosen pursuit.

If he should, each would doubtless reply, "I gave my entire time and thoughts to this thing, and if you do the same you will succeed, and in no other method."

This may seem an extremely hard way, but it is the only one to the City of Success.

How have some of our great men reached that much to be desired City? Lord Macaulay labored with constant and enthusiastic zeal on his great subject. Thackery said of him: "He reads twenty books to write a sentence; he travels a hundred miles to make a line of description." His marvelous pages are the result of patient investigation and careful writing.

Agassiz used to say he wished the day would never end. He labored faithfully for sixteen or eighteen hours out of the twenty-four.

Once when asked to lecture for money, he replied: "I have no time to make money." He meant he must stick to the work he had chosen. True, Agassiz was a genius, but if he had not consecrated his genius to his work he never would have triumphed.

The Central Pacific Railroad was built by five merchants of Sacramento, who devoted their fortunes and influence to its construction. The great mountains of difficulties which beset them on every side seemed unsurmountable. The stock sold slowly. Every rail laid, every spike driven, had to be brought thousands of miles around Cape Horn. Water was brought to the laborers a distance of forty miles across the American desert. Workmen were scarce and ten thousand Chinamen were brought across the Pacific. Hence, we see that no great end is accomplished in any phase of life without persistent and determined effort. So, boys, consecrate yourselves to your chosen vocation, and you will succeed.

Remember that this great, beautiful and wonderful world, with all its wealth and woe, with all its mines and mountains, its oceans, seas, and rivers, with all its shipping, its steamboats, railroads, and magnetic telegraphs, with all its millions of men, and all the science and progress of ages, will soon be placed in your hands. Boys now assembled in school-rooms, and college halls, or playing without them, on both sides of the great Atlantic, will soon control them all! Think of the great inheritance, and prepare yourself to receive the stupendous possessions. For are not the Kings, Presidents, Governors, Statesmen, Philosophers, and Teachers of the future our boys of to-day?

Knowing this, be making ready to act well your part. Become good and thorough students. Read only that which is instructive; fritter away none of the precious moments with trashy literature. Study science and government and the history of the world. Study agriculture and mechanism. Strive to perfect yourself as nearly as possible in your chosen profession. Form good and manly habits, thus laying the foundation for a noble character. Take the Bible for your guide, and not only become familiar with its teachings, but observe them.

KANSAS STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, EMPORIA, Kas.

William H. Taylor has been appointed as District Deputy in the office of R. M. Archibald, Sheriff-elect of Hamilton county, O. Mr. Taylor was a member of the campaign committee, and did much effective work during the campaign for the success of the G. O. P. in that county.

Joseph L. Montieu, of New Orleans, a clerk in the sub-treasury department, has been arrested on a charge of appropriating money belonging to the United States government. Mr. Montieu's duties were to count and weigh silver dollars, 1,000 in a bag. Some of these bags fell short of the required number and he was charged with embezzlement

Miss Fannie Hall is Chicago's favorite elocutionist.

Mme. Lizzie Pugh Dugan appears at Hannibal, Mo., December 27-28.

Pugsley Bros.' Tennessee Warblers were in Nashville, Tenn., last week.

Miss Ednora Nahar appeared at Bethel A. M. E. Church, Chicago, Dec. 20th.

Wm. I. Powell' of Philadelphia, appeared in a Batson concert at Chicago recently.

Miss Bell F. Chew, of Cincinnati, has received a flattering offer to travel with Jennie Jackson Dehart.

Lillian Thomas, of Indianapolis, is pronounced the most versatile dramatic reader and dialectician in the West.

A three-act comedy drama entitled "An Autograph Letter," by Esther B. Tiffany, was presented to the citizens of Hannibal, Mo.

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THE COLORED MAN OF AMERICA

Must Reach Out—Look Up.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS, A. M.

This is a momentous question, and to my mind, if understood and correctly stated and adhered to, will be a speedy and complete solution of the often mooted problem:—What will become of the Negro of this country?

I have studied this subject constantly, closely, and with great interests and anxieties, for twenty odd years, and I feel confident that I state an uncontrovertable truth, when I say that the most essential thing to be done in order to his elevation are identically the same as should be done by any other people, whose previous conditions had been such as ours; and who were greatly inferior in numbers to the people with whom they had been made common citizens, with full power to pursue the objects of life and happiness as they willed—namely: self-reliance upon, and self-utilization of, their inherent energies.

The colored man must learn once for all time, and submit the truth with substantial evidences to coming posterities, that God has endowed him with equal natural capabilities, the very same as those of all of His other intelligent beings; and that in order that he may do well and have a just proportion of this world's goods, he must, in the mean time, rely upon and exercise his own energies.

We must learn that as a rule nothing but constant, tremendous, self-exertions make a man or a people famous for success and worth. And that true merit is the only attainment which, as a rule, can make a man or a people pre-eminent in power and influence, to that extent which compels others to acknowledge their worth and desire—their recognition of themselves.

The Negro of the United States, like any other people under similar circumstances, has for quite a period felt that especially the white people of this country owe him much, for the great wrongs which they practiced upon him and his people for nearly three hundred years.

With this sense of unrepaid just deserts, he has been too often inactive as to the real work necessary to the elevation of the race; and while waiting, hoping and demanding, to some extent, unnatural and unreasonable power and results from political parties and operations, has let slip many golden opportunities which should have been used with the greatest advantages in elevating himself and race. In this course many a most valuable boon coming within his reach by a Gracious Father, have been snatched from him by those not more worthy than himself.

Quite a large number of our people have made this great mistake, and our enemies, always on the alert, constantly take advantage of these mistakes, maliciously magnify them, and try to criminate us before the world. This operates dreadfully against the interests of the race.

In order to change these evil results, the Negro, as a rule, must be self-reliant, self-exerting, and enter every sphere of honorable enterprise; be a faithful servant to the "Natural Law" of labors and retributions.

From just rewards for profitable labors, the race must supply its current necessities and give itself real-estate prestige.

We must succeed as manual laborers. Our people must become great and successful farmers, contractors, mechanics, bankers, lawyers, doctors, astronomers, journalists, educators, gospel ministers—in fact, in every sphere of honorable human activities we must prove our ability to accomplish as much, in proportion, in every case, as any other people can, in order to give us the prestige necessary for our well being. Until we succeed in all of these particulars, our permanent elevation is hopeless.

If we would succeed, the work of education must be pushed even to the extent of preparing our young people for the successful pursuits of all the classics and scientific professions of this life.

In politics the Negro should be none the less self-reliant and self-exerting. He should strive to know what is best—in the broadest sense of that word—for all whose interests, his influence and vote would affect, and act for the best interests; always co-operating with the best element of the white voters, as we could not accomplish any good in this country, politically, by operating to ourselves. An honorable course in politics will do much in clothing the race with lasting worth.

The Negro should be active in politics, cautious and wise. He should never engage in them for the mere sake of an office and a few paltry dollars. This conduct on the part of some of us, has already done the race serious injury. Let us neither endorse or condone the actions of those who thus engage in politics.

But to all of this some may answer, That in many sections of this country, our people are not allowed to peacefully pursue this honorable course. Then we must do like other people do in a free country like ours: migrate to other parts. We are a free people, and in order to succeed we must learn to go at once where-ever we are afforded the best opportunities for getting a living.

The East, North and West are in many respects more favorably opened to the real and permanent elevations of the Negro, than in the South.

There should be at least 5,000,000 or 7,000,000 of our people scattered throughout these parts of the United States. We should not come away in great crowds, but one by one, as we become convinced that we can not, because of undue disadvantages, succeed, should come away at the first opportunity.

At present this country is the most favorable to the highest state of usefulness, civilization and Christian perfection of any in the world. Therefore the Negro should not, in any great numbers, just now, undertake to go back to Africa.

In this paper I have said nothing in a particular manner about the morals and religion of our people, simply because I know them to be on a par with those of the other people of this country; and because our immediate needs are, greater physical and mental efforts, and close economy.

We should grasp every opportunity. Wisely, mightily and constantly push this work, and as a consequence our salvation in this country will be secured.

KOKOMO, Ind.

THE NEGLECTED CHAPTER.

By John Mercer Langston.

In reading our colored newspapers; in listening to the speeches of the orators of our race, made before the public in our great religious or political assemblies, one would fail to find, as a rule, any allusion to the past condition of the colored American, so as to lead a person unfamiliar with the subject, to the knowledge and belief that we have made any considerable or important record in our history in this country, antedating our late war and the abolition of slavery. We do not read, or even hear, now, of the noble men and their enterprises, philanthropic and anti-slavery, inaugurated and supported by them in the interest of the former slave and the nominally free Negro. If there has been a scholar among them; a thinker; a writer; a teacher; a preacher; a reformer; an orator; an inventor; a mechanic; an engineer; a farmer: a planter; a doctor; a lawyer; an editor; a poet, philosopher or theologian, we do not find mention made of his name, or account given of his station in life, or his productions, or his achievements. Who hears now the name of Samuel Haynes, the distinguished colored pulpit orator of the olden time of which we write, a man so well and favorably known in New England? Who tells now the pleasing and racy stories, which used to be related so constantly by his friends and neighbors, to the delight of those who heard, since they illustrated so aptly the peculiar character and powers of one of the most remarkable and able men that Connecticut ever knew? This story is told of him. It illustrates his liberality of feeling, his great moral courage, and his ready commanding power: On the preceding Saturday he had been visited by the most distinguished preacher of his State, the Rev. Mr. Ballou, who was a Universalist, feared by the ministry, generally, of his day, since he was a man of admitted ability and learning, and a ready and forcible debater, as well as a speaker of no mean name and influence. Yet, as he was to pass the Sabbath in the town in which Father Haynes—as he was called by all—resided and preached, he invited him to attend his church and occupy his pulpit in the morning services, not supposing for a moment that he would take advantage of his position to present and advocate his peculiar religious views. He did, however, taking for his text the famous passage, "And thou shalt not surely die." His sermon was said to have been one of the great orator's very best and ablest, calculated by reason of its learning, its logic, its christian temper, the apparent fairness and correctness of the utterance, as well as its eloquence, to do great mischief if not answered, at once and with equal learning, greater truth, and power. Ballou closed read his final hymn, which was sung with spirit and effect, when he arose to pronounce the benediction and dismiss the congregation. Just at this point the colored pastor arose and interrupted his friend and brother minister, only to say to his people, that they would all please to remain, keeping their seats after the services, as he had something of importance to say to them. Immediately, as Mr. Ballou closed, Father Haynes arose, with all eyes turned toward him, and the profoundest attention prevailing, and announced his text: "Thou shalt surely die." Whereupon he proceeded to deliver, in answer to Mr. Ballou, a sermon so learned, so convincing, so eloquent, and so masterly in every way and sense, that, besides carrying his own congregation completely with him, the synopsis of his discourse was at once carefully arranged and published in the Sabbath-school books of the times, as an utter refutation of all Universalistic views.

Samuel Haynes was not only a great and able minister, but he was a very remarkable man otherwise; and many stories showing his peculiar traits of character in other respects are told of him, with no little interest. For instance, he was a father who took pride in educating his daughters, two of whom he had, and he took great delight in them as handsome and intelligent, interesting women. His house was known far and near, and on every Monday the ministers of neighboring churches flocked there to enjoy the society found in his wife, his children, and in that of the old matchless disciple of Christ. He was, too, often made the confidante and adviser of the churches about his, which had trouble with their pastors. At one time the people of a church near at hand called upon him by a committee of some two or three prominent persons, its members, to consult him as to their situation by reason of the fact that their pastor was not married; it being quite inconsistent, as they claimed to him, to induce the young ladies of their congregation to visit him for religious and spiritual instruction and counsel. The committee, also, asked Father Haynes to advise and urge this young minister, the first time he could, to get married. This he agreed to do, for he thought he ought to marry. In a few days, as the story runs, the young man called. He remained, as was his habit often, on that day, till all the other ministers had gone; and, as he and Father Haynes were seated alone in the latter's study, the matter of marriages was suggested. The young man said he had thought often that he would like to marry, and would be glad to do so, were he not so poor and his salary so small. "Ah!" said Father Haynes, "you must marry, and trust our good, kind and gracious Heavenly Father for what you may need. He will provide for you." "Then," asked the young man, "Father Haynes, whom shall I marry?" The reply came quickly: "You must find somebody who will have you." The young minister ventured, thereupon, to say: "Father Haynes, you have two beautiful daughters." "Yes," he replied, "but I do not wish to throw either of them away."

Only one more of the stories, which I have treasured, as having to do with the great man of whom I write, shall be told here. A poor minister, who had lately lost his house and effects by fire, came to him for his sympathy. He told Father Haynes how everything was gone. His house, his furniture, his books, his papers—all were gone. "But," said he "I could stand it all were it not that all my old sermons are burned up. Ah, what shall I do!" Father Haynes replied: "They gave more light in the flames than elsewhere."

Why are not such men—our colored men of the past, great in name and deed—written and talked about? Would it not be well to let us hear less of many of our living men, who have really, so far, made no special name or record, and give us more of our mighty dead?

Let us write and speak of Pennington, Delaney, Gaines, Dr. J. McCune Smith, Wilson, Jenkins, Piles, Remond, Nell, Brown, Perkins, Dunn, Wall, Myers, Langston, Jones, Robinson, Yancy, Garnet, Seary, Harris, Copeland, Blake, Trotter, Topp, Boyd, Haynes, Attucks, with a thousand others, all of our own country, who, in past days, in peace, or war, in all things that signify manly life, were our leaders and laborers in a score of enterprises of reform, or business, or education, of general interest to our race. Let not their names and deeds perish from the face of the earth. Rather let them live, in our knowledge and memories, influencing and moulding, through their virtue and power, the lives and destinies of our sons and daughters.

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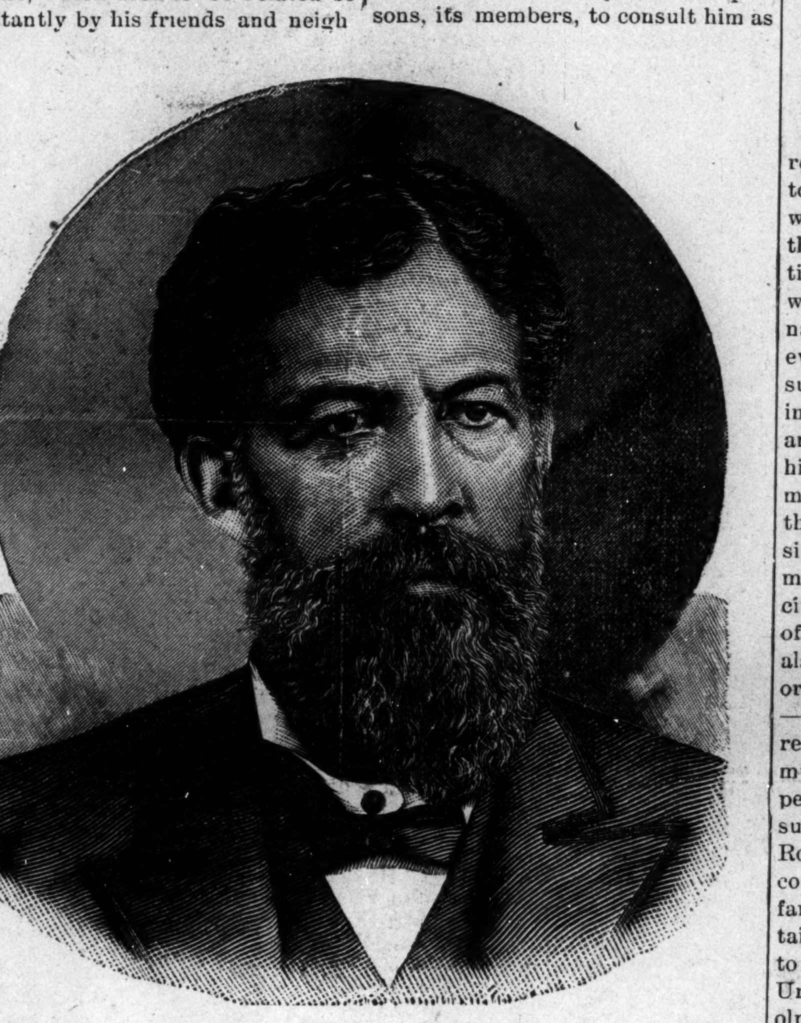


HON. JOHN MERCER LANGSTON.

DR. WESLEY ROBBINS.

A Brilliant Son of Esculapius—Something of a Man Who Has Achieved Success Through Real Merit, and Who Prates Little of Race Pride, but Has So Lived That the Race Shall Be Proud of Him.

It is customary when speaking of representative colored men to refer to the five or six prominent Negroes who have been before the public for the last two decades, ignoring entirely the scores of colored men who have won for themselves names, honor and distinction in every walk of life. The generations succeeding the war have been prolific in the production of brainy men; and the Negro, instead of counting his great men on the digits as in former days, can now count them by the score. The day when five or six men carried the brains of seven millions of people is past. Every city, town and hamlet can now boast of its intelligent Negro. The day is also dawning when prophets are honored at home—when the real worth—the sterling qualities of a man are recognized and awarded by the community in which he lives and by the people who know him best. The subject of this sketch, Dr. Wesley Robbins, was born in Randolph county, Indiana. He lived on the farm until near twenty, when he obtained the consent of his parents to attend the summer school at the Union Literary Institute in Randolph county, Indiana,

After the first term at this school he began to teach, attending the Institute during vacation for several years. Having a decided ambition to become a physician, he spent his leisure moments in the study of anatomy, hygiene and philosophy for a while in school, and while engaged in teaching. In September '77 he entered the 'Mayhew Business College' at Detroit, Mich., and, although the only colored student there he became very popular and was elected secretary of the allumni. He graduated from the College with high honors. In 1879 he entered college in Philadelphia and though a sufferer from poverty, bad health and "other ills to which flesh is heir" he graduated from this institute in 1880, and began the practice of medicine in Richmond, Ind. He came to this city in '83 and graduated from the Indiana Eclectic Medical College in '84. The faculty of this college regard him very highly and point to him with pride. His practice has steadily grown in this city until now he has a large and lucrative practice. He has a very large white as well as colored patronage. He differs from many professional colored men in that he has kept a character spotless and beyond reproach. Personally he is affable and genial, possessing the happy faculty of making friends on all hands. He says but little of "race pride" but believes in conducting himself in such a way that the race will be proud of him.

His success in the treatment of disease has been almost phenomenal. Seldom, indeed, do patients take to the bed after he has prescribed for their ailments.

To those he finds in bed he rarely makes more than one or two visits and he has had but one death, from disease, in his practice for more than thirteen months. Even his opposers admit that he is a successful physician.

He stands well with the medical fraternity and is growing in popularity with the people. THE FREEMAN has naught but praise for Dr. Robbins and cheerfully commends him to the people of this city.

"WE MUST EDUCATE."

The Masses Must Be Instructed.

BY THOMAS H. STEWART.

Never in the history of any nation could the above words be uttered with more truth than in the history of the colored race to-day. Upon our standard of education hinges our preservation, our success in religion, society or politics, Granted that we have done exceedingly well, as the verdict of the most critical examiner must show, still our friends who honestly desire to see our interests promoted can only say that we must improve. Taking a retrospective view of our history we find that we have produced men capable of occupying creditably honorable positions in every department of affairs. Their deeds remain as living testimony that cannot be gainsaid or refuted. But while we have moved gradually forward, on the whole, our success has been rather exceptional than general. Looking over our standing in any of the things necessary to make any people significant or powerful, we find that though we are not at the foot of the ladder, we are at a notable distance from the top. Finding that we do not stand where we should, or where we desire to stand, the question naturally arises, "What do we need?" What is required to give us eminence and place us on an equality with our more powerful neighbors in affairs of religion, politics or finance? The answer is the same always, invariable, and perfectly apparent to the most obstinate, "We must educate." Our religion demands that we be educated, our society demands it, and our acquisition of wealth and retention of the same demands that we be educated to a standard not less high than that of those by whom we are surrounded. It is not the extraordinary education of the few that will build up the race, but it is the general education of the masses. The few educated ones can not exert a sufficiently widely extended influence over the semi-ignorant masses of the country to materially aid them in thinking out and planning to extricate themselves intelligently from the various political meshes into which they have been drawn through the shrewdness of their superiors in intelligence, and their inability to clearly understand or define their situations from their need of the proper education. Not only in politics is this true, but in everything the necessity of a popular education to a proper standard is evident, and before we shall be able to take our proper and perpetual station in the world of politics, religion, society and finance, the oft repeated words, "We must educate shall be heard ringing from every portion of the country again and again, and must be heeded.

PINE BLUFF, Arkansas.

In Philadelphia the highest salary paid a colored officeholder is $1,500 per annumn, ranging from that down to lamplighters, janitors and scrubmen. Outside of policemen, one fireman, and those engaged in menial work, there are but ten colored clerks and six messengers. James F. Needham, is discount clerk in the Tax Office, and James G. Davis, a draughtsman in the Gas bureau, both of whom are paid a salary of $1500. There are three who receive $1000 a year: Frank J. R. Jones, a clerk in the office of the Board of Revision of Taxes; Stephen B. Gipson, register clerk in the Controller's office, and Ferguson H. Baxter, who is seventh assistant clerk of the Orphans' Court.

More colored men hold places in the Recorder of Deeds' office than in any other department. Andrew Lytle, and Frank Potts, draw $900 a year as transcribing clerks, while Walter P. N. Brown gets $700 as messenger. The office also has a colored janitor. Two others get $900 a year from the city—George W. Davis, a clerk in the office for the collection of water rents, and Chris. J. Perry, who is assistant appearance clerk in the Sheriff's office. J. J. Barney, gets $850 as an assistant in the Water Bureau.

The oldest colored officeholder in the city is David Brown, who has been messenger for the Health office so long that nobody remembers when he began. He gets $800 a year. William G. Lee, Mayor Stuart's messenger, and William H. Jones, who holds a similar position in the Street Cleaning Bureau, enjoy annual salaries of $720. Captain James A. Junior, Director Windrim's messenger, draws the same salary. Isaac Holland, gets only $600 a year as messenger for the Survey Bureau.

The Fire Bureau is conspicuous, however, from the fact that of nearly 600 men employed there Stephen Presco, is the only colored man. Captain Junior succeeded the late Gil Ball as president of the M. S. Quay Club, and Frank Potts is President of the Fitler Club. Chris. Perry was formerly in the Republican City committee; Stephen B. Gipson is an ex-Councilman, and Frank Jones is one of the best workers in the Eighth ward.

THE NEGRO.

His Elevation and Perpetuity.

BY RIGHT REV. H. M. TURNER.

Editor of The Freeman.

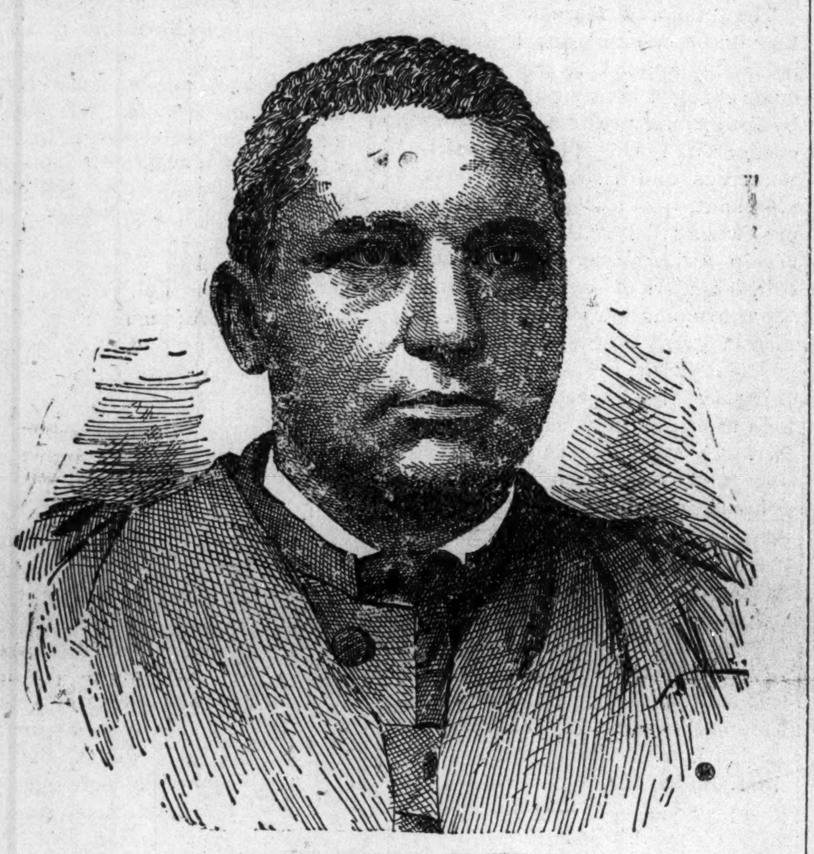
You request a few lines from me upon some topic which will be conducive to the elevation of the race. You are already aware that I am what is generally known as a monomaniac upon Africa; that I have no faith in the future prospects of our race in this country, where white is dominant, and where black is imbecile and hated. The best thing for the elevation of our race would be to raise five hundred thousand dollars and purchase ten fifty thousand dollar ships, which we can purchase in England at this time—and ships, too, that cost a hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars six and seven years ago, and will be good sea vessels for the next fifteen years to come, if not twenty-five years to come; and thus start commercial relations between here and Africa, the land of our ancestry, and in a few years have men of our own color in our midst worth millions of dollars. I repeat, that is the best thing the colored race of this country could do, viewed from every standpoint.

But I judge you would like to have my views upon the idea that the Negro is an American citizen; that he was born and raised here; that he has as much right to this soil as any man that breathes the breath of life, and infinitely more than the six and seven hundred thousand of emigrants who land annually at Castle Garden, New York, and are principally composed of the scum of Europe. Not only foreigners, but low, filthy, lousy, ignorant, and also foreigners to our national institutions, customs, manners, and to our Sabbath day's observance, and who will, sooner or later, plunge this nation into a whirlpool of blood and slaughter. For this nation can no more hold its individuality, and maintain its prima virtues and republican institutions at the way things are now moving, than a diseased body can perpetuate life.

Accepting the theory that the Negro is here and is here to stay, let us see what is most necessary for his elevation upon the one hand, and perpetuity upon the other. To the exception of a few instances, compared to our numerical number in the United States, the colored people follow no avocation that calls for brain force. Fifty years ago—yes, forty years ago this nation abounded with colored carpenters, brick masons, blacksmiths, painters, tailors, watchmakers, railroad car builders, buggy and carriage makers, cloth manufacturers, and every other industry known to skilled labor. Men bound out their sons for five and seven years to learn trades, in the free States, and slaveholders bound them out for the same number of years in the slave States. These boys were made to work, and if they were whipped, ran away and came home, they were again whipped and sent or carried back to their bosses, and at the expiration of their terms of service they knew how to work and were willing to do it; and invariably developed into great men, because their thinking faculties had received a practical cultivation, which was to the common duties and responsibilities of life what a knowledge of mathematics is to logic. Mothers, also, bound out their daughters for a term of years to learn the science of cutting and fitting, and to do all the work belonging to dress-making and millinery; and a wife who could not make her husband's shirts and cut, fit and make her husband's clothes, including coat, pants and vest, was of rare occurrence. But for the last twenty-five or thirty years nearly all of this skilled labor has gone out of our hands, and the scum of creation has come here and gotten possession of it. So much so that three-fourths of the colored ladies themselves have to go to white ladies to have their dresses made, and to white milliners to purchase their bonnets, and to have them done over. Two-thirds of the young ladies now, who become wives, know as much about how to make a shirt for their husbands as a mule knows about mathematics, and so far from knowing how to make her husband's pants the bulk of them can scarcely sew up a little rip in the pants; and as for darning a torn place, if they do it at all, it is so badly puckered wrinkled up that you can scarcely determine whether it is a botch of a mend or a smear of pitch. And as for making a pair of pants or a vest for their husband, that is out of the question entirely. Yet they must be regarded as first class ladies, highly cultured, because they can read, or write a letter, and claw a piano or an organ so unmusically that it gives every one in the neighborhood the delirium tremens.

On the other hand, if a colored man wishes a house built and desires a decent job, he, too, must apply to some white man, generally a foreigner, who can scarcely understand English enough to comprehend the plan and dimensions of the building desired. For if there are any colored mechanics about, they are generally such makeshifts or mechanical botches that they will half do your work and will charge you twice as much as a good mechanic.

Now, why this condition of things? Echo answers why? Is it because skilled labor among colored people will receive no patronage? Are there not enough of colored people in the country, who have houses built, remodeled, enlarged and improved to patronize a hundred thousand skilled mechonics? Are there not millions of white people who would employ them if they would give evidence of superior or even equal ability? Have not hundreds of native white men told me, North and South, that they would prefer to give colored mechanics their work, than to give it to these foreigners, if they could and would do it as well? Do white people not employ colored doctors and lawyers, when they give evidence of superior equal attainments? Can I not point out colored men who can scarcely supply the wants of their white customers? Are



RT. REV. HENRY M. TURNER.

not colored barbers patronized in every section of the nation by white men as well as colored? Do not the few first class colored tailors that still remain get an abundance of patronage from white men as well as colored?

No; but the trouble is in the fact that the great bulk of our people seem to think that God made them to be menials to white people and not to engage in such employment as will involve thought, meditation and competitive ability and tact. Or else they want an easy time through life, and in order to obtain it they drift to the sphere of scullionism. The idea of the philanthropists of the country building schools to train colored children in skilled labor is a disgrace to the Negro race, when we had so many mechanics but a few years ago who would have trained our boys in every kind of mechanical employment had their fathers and mothers bound them out to the colored bosses and kept them there the allotted time. But the trouble has been largely that the parents wanted pay for the service of the children before they were able to earn it, and in the absence of pay they would hire them out to be messengers, porters, room sweepers, hotel servants or anything that involved no brain force—no thought, no plan, no scheme or no device.

God forbid I should say anything against learning but what is a fact. The country is so full of learned young men and ladies, who find no employment but teaching school that they have brought the price down to virtually nothing. If half of the colored school teachers had been trained in some branch of skilled labor, they would be acquiring wealth and the school teachers would be making a decent living. I know of more than one instance where white school superintendents will employ no colored man or homely black young lady to teach. She must be a pretty mulatto girl and of somewhat easy virtue. I do not make this as a universal indictment; but how long will it take such instances to associate school teaching and suspicion, and thus bring respectability into bad repute?

But I have no disposition to follow this line. School teaching is indispensable to our intellectual growth and development, but it is certainly time for our young people to be taught by our older heads that there is something else to do besides teaching school upon the one hand, and playing the scullion upon the other.

This communication is not so much intended for the young people as for the older fools who rear the boys and girls to know nothing about work involving skill, and throw them upon the world with no tangible means of support beyond teaching school in some instances, waiting in hotels, acting as servants, or resorting to the gambling table or stealing until they are in the clutches of the law, and in too many instances wind up the drama of life in the penitentiary. If this condition is to be perpetuated the sooner our people move to some portion of the world where there are no white people to act as servants for, the better for the future of our race, be that place Africa, or among the Esquimaux, or elsewhere.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 2, 1892.

MY CHRISTMAS GIFT.

BY HON. JOHN P. GREEN.

To the Editor of The Freeman.

If it were in my power, I would, on Christmas morning, present to every young colored American the following articles: One patent self acting, duplex upper lip stiffener and chin raising machine, one back bone and one bushel of sand. With the foregoing I think each one would be enabled to render a better account for himself and his race on Christmas, 1893, than is possible to-day. Politics are doing—in fact, can do—little more for us than they have done. "They can secure for us more and salutary laws." I imagine I hear you say:

"Yes, I know
This is so."

But pray tell me: Of what value are laws when neither popular sentiment nor the law courts will construe them so as to make effective the object and intent of the law makers? The poet truly says:

"We must not make a scarecrow
of the law,
Setting it up to fright the birds of prey,
And letting it keep one form,
'Til Custom make it their perch
And not their terror."

And yet this is just what has been the fate of our laws, from the XIV Amendment to the Constitution of the United States down to the Force Law and Civil Rights Law. So far as I can now recall, our Supreme Court has, by its almost united voice, invariably construed laws intended to guarantee, shield and protect colored Americans in the possesssion and enjoyment of their life, liberty and happiness as citizens, adversely to their best interests; and this, too, in the face of the fact that, when the Democratic South was "on top," the Supreme Court always found means to construe the laws in behalf of their own interests, whether the decision involved a question of States Rights, the denying of citizenship to colored people or the condition of fugitive slaves up to their slave holding masters.

The foregoing, beivg true, it is easily manifest that the colored-American must look to some source other than "favorable legislation" for the means of sure and rapid growth along the line of citizenship and sociality.

Whither shall we turn? I repeat what I hinted at in my first sentence—we must cultivate back bone, "keep a stiff-upper lip," and have abundance of "sand."

I have no patience with a certain "Uriah Heep" class of colored people who go through this country, bowing and scraping and smirking and smiling, that

"Thrift may follow favoring."

persons who evidently feel that, by destiny, they have been fashioned for the humbler positions in this life by a law as changeless as that of the Medes and Persians, and by no efforts of their own, can their condition be changed for the better.

No, rather show me a youth who being possessed of true Race Pride, feels and knows himself to be a Man, in all that the term implies; standing squarely upon his feet, with head erect, and eyes front, towards the rising sun, inwardly resolves that, come what will, no matter how dark may be his skin or obscure his birth and station, he will compel respect and win his way in this America. Such a man will win every time.

Why should we not have race pride? As Roscoe Conklin once said, "Some of us had for our ancestors fathers who were lion tamers, in the wilderness of Africa; built cities; led conquering armies, and reared vast monuments, some of which exist until this day to astonish and confound our age."

In this country we have made the wilderness to bloom as a garden; and the products of cotton, tobacco and rice, have filled the lap of America with the gold of Europe. Our rich blood has often stained the Virginia soil—freely spilt in behalf of the stars and stripes; and in every emergency we have proved ourselves

"Faithful among the faithless."

Nor should the fact, that our ancestors were slaves, abash us: for every student of history knows that slavery has been the primitive condition of nearly every race represented on American soil to-day: The Egyptian slaves toiled in the quarries of Syene, amidst the walls of the labyrinth, the columns of Carnac and the Pyramids, Sphinxes and obelisks; the Helots of Greece, in their goat skin tunics and dog skin caps, were made the objects of legalized assassins, who roamed the streets at intervals and struck them down to death, lest they should walk too numerous in the land: the Romans who numbered among their slaves some of the greatest warriors, scientists and artists, left them entirely without the pale of the law, so that a master could kill or maim with impunity any one of his slaves, and did, at times, throw them into their artificial ponds to feed their carp and lamprey eels. So we find clear down to the present generation that few or none of the ancestors of our present proud races, not even those of our proud Anglo-Saxon race, escaped the humiliating condition of slavery; and Hallam (as well as other English historians) tells that it was fully a hundred years after the Norman conquest of England before any Anglo-Saxon held any position of honor or responsibility under the government. Then, these things being true, upon what meat do we feed that we should expect to escape the perils, sufferings and humiliations of all the other races?

If we are shunned and treated as social pariahs in the land, let us remember these things, and, conscious of our integrity, say with another poet:

"Abide we in ourselves alone,
With virtue be we armed,"

and by cultivating those qualities of mind and heart and soul, we shall in the end "draw all men" after us. In the language but not in the spirit of Richard III, I would say to the discouraged of my race:

"The liquid drops of tears that you have shed
Shall come again, transform'd to orient pearl,
Advantaging their loan with interest of ten
times double gain
Of happiness."

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 17, 1892.

J. M. Williams of Denver, Colo., who was first thought to have been elected to the State Legislature, was beaten by 54 votes. I. F. Norris, who ran for County Clerk in Oklahoma, G. J. Curran, candidate for the Legislature, and L. H. Overton for County Treasurer on the same ticket, all Afro-Americans, were defeated.

Miss Jennie Bishop, "the African vocalist," styled the "Black Jenny Lind," appeared on the opening night of the New York letter carriers' fair at Madison Square Garden.

Alabama is about to pass a law that all persons whose State and county taxes do not amount to five dollars shall not be required to pay the same if they do not vote.

It required a contest to settle the election of Hon. Geo. W. Murray, Congressman from the Seventh district, South Carolina.

Charles Fillmore, of Springfield, O., has been appointed corporation clerk in the office of Secretary of State-elect.

Congressman Henry P. Cheatham, of North Carolina, was defrauded of his seat in the recent election.

An Afro-American was the only man elected to an office at Chattanooga on the Republican ticket.

George W. Murray, of South Carolina, will be the only Afro-American in the 53d Congress.

THE TRUE ENDEAVORER.

BY MRS. MAGGIE NICKENS.

Much has been said and written concerning that grand and glorious Society of Christian Endeavor, the noblest organization for the promotion of Christianity in the world. Much has been said in praise of its good work, and the many great benefits derived from that source; but yet, there are Christians and even Christian Endeavorers, who are ignorant of the real qualities necessary to make up the True Endeavorer.

Let us consider first what qualifications the true Endeavorer should possess. He should be sympathetic, humble and ever ready to make sacrifices to the cause of Christ. No obstacles, no stumbling blocks should for a moment cause him to waver, or hesitate in performing the great work that lies before him.

How few there are of us who pledged ourselves to do all we could to save souls for Christ, have faithfully kept that pledge, and proven to the world, to the church, and above all, to God, that we are indeed true Endeavorers?

The Christian Endeavorer's field of labor is large. There is much sowing and reaping to be done and only the ready, willing hands of the true Endeavorer can rightly perform the task. There are souls to be saved for Christ. "Go out in the highways and hedges and bring them in;" bring them in to hear the gospel and the beautiful story of Christ. There are little children to be brought into the fold and the love of the Savior instilled in their young and tender hearts. The home of the afflicted to be visited; comforting words of love and kindness spoken to cheer them in their darkened hour of trouble. The wants of the poor and distressed alleviated and such assistance rendered as only the true Endeavorer with his heart full of love and sympathy can give.

Every Endeavorer has a Christian life line. Every sinner who is perishing in the waves of sin and despair has his greatest sympathies. Every little street urchin, every poor drunkard, every Sabbath breaker brings a pang, a tribulation which the true Endeavorer takes to Christ. The good Samaritan was a true Endeavorer in deed and in truth. No passing by of degredation unheedingly.

The true Endeavorer is not prepared to enter upon his great field until his implements for work are in good running order. To thus prepare himself, his heart, the most important and useful helper of all must under go a complete examination. Cleanse it by prayer from sin and evil thought. See that no petty jealousy of a successful brother Endeavorer lurks in its corners and see that a constant life-giving stream of hope and charity flows through its channels.

The true Endeavorer's heart is large, so large that he can feel and take in his brother's sufferings, sorrows and disappointments and yet so small, that not the least sin and temptation can enter there.

His heart must be full of love, so full that he can love his neighbor as himself, and hate not his enemy; so full of love and kindness that every poor unfortunate solicits unasked his aid and sympathy. The true Endeavorer must have faith, faith to believe that God is able to do all things, and that through his faith in God he can successfully perform his work: faith to believe that when everything around is dark and gloomy and the way seems long and dreary, that God in His infinite mercy will brighten the way and lift the clouds from before his eyes and give him a new and brighter light to travel by. He must have faith to believe when obstacles, sin and temptations gather before him that God will remove them from his path and send him on to victory. The true Endeavorer must have faith to believe that when he has tried and tried in his weak and powerless way to save souls for Christ, and it seems that his efforts are of no avail; that God, with His great, strong and bountiful love, will come to his relief, and together, what a harvest they will reap. It is by faith and humble prayer that the true Endeavorer expects to win success in his work.

When the true Endeavorer discovers his work and feels fully equipped for the race, he wonders what success will attend his efforts, and how best to secure it. He feels his weakness and inability to perform the great work before him without the assistance of Divine power.

To gather in a great harvest the true Endeavorer must be found often at the seat of mercy seeking strength and faith to carry on his work. Prayer is the gateway to heaven through which all Endeavorers must travel to gain favor with God. Go often to God in prayer. "What a privilege to carry everything to God in Prayer!"

The true Endeavorer is sincere in his supplications. With what zeal, what earnestness and humility of heart he pours out his petition to God and what a wonderful shower of blessings, and what an outpouring of the spirit is the result of his true efforts!

The true Endeavorer must not expect to travel his perilous journey unarmed, and must put on the breast plate and shield of Christian protection against sin and iniquity. His path to success is not all strewn with flowers. New temptations new sins and new impediments of all descriptions are continually meeting him on his way, and without proper Christian fortification, he will be unable to withstand the opposing danger.

What an overflowing of the spirit we could have in our weekly Endeavor meeting if each and every one were true Endeavorers, striving with all their might to do or say something for Christ. What mouthfuls of praise and thankfulness we could pour out to God for his love and kindness to us, and go home rejoicing, feeling that it was good to have been there.

The promised reward for our labors and the crosses we have to bear here will more than repay us.

Our reward is both here and hereafter. It is a great reward to see the sick being restored under our care; to see little children coming in under our teaching; to see drunkards reclaimed by our urgent entreaties; to have the gospel sent to the heathen from our treasures; to have young men and ladies saved into the church by our attractions.

Our ultimate eternal reward is everlasting life with Christ.

INDIANAPOLIS.

R. S. V. P.

By Rev. C. O. H. Thomas, A. M. L. L. B.

The season is now here when "R. S. V. P." will be the left corner (below) request, upon cards and note of invitation.

We, as English-speaking people, appear to be lost for words in our own language, sufficiently expressive to convey what is meant. This seems so, from the fact that many resort to foreign phrases. The practice appears to me as being un-American and inconsistant with literary fashion. There are many who employ foreign terms who understand their use, while there are scores of intelligent persons who do not.

Not long ago the Rev. Dr.——, of——, presented his Ms. to a New York publishing house; in which

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(Ms.) contained some foreign terms. The publisher quickly, but politely, returned the copy with the request that English expressions be substituted or the matter entirely omitted. The secret principle of the matter was, that the publishing house was American, and it was publishing American work for American readers, and it would be inconsistent with the situation of things, to say nothing of fashionable writing, to place before the general public such matter that could not be comprehended without the aid of a lexicon.

Such a mania to some extent exists among us as Afro-Americans, and it is not out of place to give it a passing note in your Christmas number. That such a mania has had, or is holding a stronghold on us, is apparent, and is frequently noticed in the ordinary conversation among the many of our literati. To say it is extremely bad taste, either in writing or in conversation, is to mildly express it.

We are not opposed, nor do we object to the familiarity with the languages, or a knowlege of their literature. No; for these are admirable. But the propriety of introducing into articles which are read by the masses, as the FREEMAN is, a number of foreign terms is entirely questionable taste. If our expressions has no English equivalent, some allowance might be made; and even then it would be far better in being more elaborate in forms of speech, rather than to confuse the mind and puzzle the brain of the reader, or readers of so excellent a Negro mouth piece as the FREEMAN. This once done the reader will be left in doubt as to what the writer means, or whether anything is meant.

"A reply is requested," or "The favor of your," or "An answer is desired," would be as easy and more preferable to the use of the form—R. S. V. P.—"Respond if you please."

"A Merry Christmas" to the FREEMAN and its editorial staff.

DICKSON, TENN.

Johnson W. Ramsey, the brilliant and enterprising young colored lawyer who was driven from Arkansas during the campaign of 1888, is now having a lucrative practice in Boston.

At Dublin, Arkansas, a colored school teacher was arrested by a Democratic sheriff for shaking hands on election day with a friend.

The Chicago Bee has resumed publication.

There are forty colored students at Oberlin.

Alexandria, Va., has another newspaper—the Clipper.

The Whittier Club at Memphis, Tenn., entertained Hon. John M. Langston, Dec. 13th.

B. T. Phelps, a graduate of Fisk University in 1889, and a teacher, died at Houston, Tex., recently.

Delaware, O., has admitted its first colored teacher to the public schools. E. O. B. Murray is the fortunate.

C. Morgan, who was class orator at Harvard three years ago, is now in his senior year at Harvard Law School.

The Missouri State Teachers' Association, will have a three days' convention in Kansas City, beginning December 27th.

Prof. J. C. Price, of Livingston college, is preparing for ample improvements to be added to his school during the next year.

Johnson W. Hill, a graduate of the Normal and Collegiate Institute, is now a Middler in the Newton Theological Seminary.

Mr. Walter Allen was elected president at the last regular meeting of the Athenian Literary Society (white), at Liverpool, O.

The editors of the Virginia Lancet, of Petersburg and the Delta Blade of Vicksburg, Miss., have left the journalistic craft militant.

C. J. Perry, editor Philadelphia Weekly Tribune, read a paper last Tuesday night before the Monumental Literary Society, at Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Booker T. Washington, Principal of the Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., has been invited to deliver an address before the Boston Congregational Club.

The American Association of Education of Colored Youth hold a grand Institute at Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 27, 28, 20 and 30, 1892. There is an excellent programme.

Dr. M. V. Link, a recent graduate of Meharry Medical College, is editor of the Medical and Surgical Observer, the first and only Afro-American medical journal. It is published at Jackson, Tenn.

In Mrs. Fannie J. Coppins' Institute for Colored Youth, ten trades are being taught: carpentry, bricklaying, plastering, shoemaking, tailoring, printing, stenography and typewriting, cooking, dressmaking and millinery.

Chrisman Hall, a new building at a cost of $30,000, was dedicated at Clark University, Atlanta, Ga. The building is named in honor of Mrs. Eliza Chrisman, a Northern woman, who gave $10,000 toward building it. The former building was burned several years ago. Clark University has nearly 300 students of both sexes.

The programme of the American Association of Educators of Colored Youth which meets at Wilmington, N. C., December 27-30, 1892, announces Prof. James M. Gregory, Washington, D. C., as president. Prof. I. Garland Penn, of Lynchburg, Va., as statistician, and Prof. James H. Johnston, of Ettricks, Va., 3rd Vice-President.

The Georgia State Industrial College for Colored Youth has entered on its second year with some seventy students. The instructors are, President, R. R. Wright A. M., English Literature Mental and Moral Science; D. C. Suggs, A. M., Vice President, Natural Science; F. E. Cobb, A. B., Mathematics and Librarian; Loring B. Palmer, A. B., Assistant Instructor in English and Secretary of Faculty; Albert Ashton, Instructor in Mechanic Arts (wood and metal works; Robert H. Thomas, Manager of Farm; Rev. James M. Simms, Proctor and Steward; T. J. Davis, M. D., College Physician; Rev. L. B. Maxwell, Occasional Instructor; all of whom are colored men.

The Ohio campaign committee has awarded Robert J. Harlan the second prize of $125 for making the fewest mistakes in polling his precinct. He made two mistakes in 480 votes.

THE COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION.

The Negro Must Not Sulk.

BY PROF. HALE G. PARKER, ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER-AT-LARGE OF COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION.

MR. EDITOR—In common with all other American citizens interested in the promotion of American enterprises, the colored people, from the very inception of the World's Fair, have manifested a wholesome interest in the development of this great enterprise, and have been in sympathy with all the means of its promotion. Neither aliens nor strangers, but American citizens, they have simply been actuated by the universal motive of mankind to "gather together the most wonderful productions of human skill and ingenuity, the results of the evolution and progress of ages.'

I take this public method of replying to a great many communications addresssed to me by representatives of industrial associations and of private enterprises, making inquiry as to what provision has been made for the installation of exhibits by the colored people; whether it would be possible to have such associations, "colored fairs," etc., transferred intact to Jackson Park—and many other inquiries—all imparting the assumption that my appointment included special authority to officially answer these inquiries, and to look after such exhibits. I may add that these communications not alone bear testimony to the fact of interest in the international enterprise, but also that their genius had evolved something worthy of the age and clime in which they have lived. In the matter of the scope of my authority, of course, they are mistaken, my actual status being that of Alternate Commissioner-at-Large. This is now pretty generally understood, I believe, as is also the fact that no special representation has been given to the colored people in connection with the Fair, and that their exhibits, in many instances, would have to be submitted to the judgment of their enemies in States of the Union not likely to court or encourage the "social equality" of exhibits, and the commercial brotherhood of their producers.

This has operated to alienate their early interest, and to cause them to assume a position alike prejudicial to their own interests and the interests of the community. For no invention or production of approved utility can be circumscribed or degraded without a reflex influence on the community.

One correspondent says: "I have withdrawn any and all intention to have anything to do with 'the unclean thing,' and shall advise my friends to remain away from it." This can not be endorsed as a judicious method of redressing or reforming a wrong, nor of enforcing a right. Such a position is by no means tenable, either on the ground of private advantage or public policy. If it be conceded that it, in no manner or degree, redresses the wrong, it is a clear case of a desertion of the field in the hour of actual engagement, in which public and private interests are ruthlessly sacrificed.

The cause of liberty and humanity was never promoted by "sulking." The "stay at homes" are like soldiers who tarry in the rear while thei fighting comrades are being whipped at the front. In face of this great opportunity nothing short of prohibition from the grounds could operate as a valid reason for not exhibiting. In an hour like this, when the great forces and agencies which have unfolded the life of the world are to be exposed to modern thought, to advise contempt of the opportunity to show identification with these forces, will certainly be construed to the disparagement of the colored people. If it can be shown that either public or private interests, or both, would be conserved by this "stay at home" policy, the friends of freedom and equality will only be too glad to clutch this new weapon in their warfare against this modern heathenism of human prejudice.

The most effective weapon in the present emergency is participation, rewarded by the moral and commercial remuneration of the enterprise. Think of the vastness of the opportunity and the results that must flow from its improvement. The formulated wisdom of Nations assures us that the World's Fair will be no stage play. The American people are too eminently practical for that. Every department of thought, of human endeavor will receive a new impulse in the blaze of such wonderful evolutions. In view of the moral and commercial value of the Exposition, who can afford to say "I am perfect and have need of nothing." The effect of the Exposition will be to enlarge and liberalize the mind, and it is a duty every man owes to himself and the community to aid in making this effect as far reaching as possible.

The most common form of defense is "I am not going where I am not wanted." Of all the forms of pernicious policy, this one is most re-

PROF. HALE PARKER.

sponsible for proscription on account of color and servitude. In it lurks the poisonous germ of an engrossing sociability which is allowed to trespass upon the domain of education, the domain of religion, the domain of business, and to swallow up the serious duty and necessity of the hour. Standing behind this shibboleth, many men move forward or backward at the bidding of a smile or a frown. Manhood dances to the caprice of the weathercock, and colonization, by choice, is the logical result.

The dangerous mistake of sacrificing great oportunities for advancement on the altar of a mistaken "race pride," in the vain attempt to build up a "race history," and to work out a "separate and distinct destiny" in this democratic country, must be defeated in the common interest. There is nothing more incompatibie with the manifest destiny of the republic. It is a resistance to the logical current of our history and to the noble efforts consecrated to the cause of freedom, and humanity by the bravest souls of the century.

But the genius of a better civilization is rapidly overcoming this resistance and the resulting friction. Voluntary colonization education, voluntary colonization religion, and voluntary colonization business lie all about us—mere wrecks of false hopes and mistaken policy—milestones telling how far yesterday's thought had traveled. One in thought, one in history—one sovereignty, one destiny—we are a national unit harnessed to the national forces, the national enterprises.

Selfish interest plays a part in the development of our civilization. The commercial value of every venture should not be ignored. The products of energy and ingenuity would rust and rot at the feet of the producer, if no market were sought for their consumption. No man who values his own business can afford to let this opportunity escape him.

The "Colored Merchant" is getting to be a numerous article, and is lavishly applied to any citizen of color engaged in any pursuit. Tried by the ordinary tests of a legitimate commercial business he becomes less numerous and rises to the level of merchant, just as "our colored leaders" when tried by the tests of leadership dwindle to a few who can be called leaders of men. And this is the consummation we insist on. No man is great unless great when associated with great men. Out of this rises the imperative duty of all men to become patrons of the world's fair. Through it leads the road to a new and wider market for their genius and activity. Let pulpit and press—all the agencies of influence—urge upon them the duty and advantage of actual and liberal participation as the most potent means of protecting commercial interests, of removing the barriers of proscription and increasing faith in the virtue and permanency of American institutions.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

MORAL AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NECESSARY.

By Daniel B. Williams, A. M, Ph. D. Prof of Ancient Languages in the V. N, & Cl. also Author of "Freedom & Progress.' "Science of Teaching," etc.

"Post Funera Virtus Vivit." "After Death Virtue Lives."

The history of education reveals to us the unquestioned fact that the moral results of our educational system have not been satisfactory to those who have for the last twenty years carefully watched its operations. They have seen hundreds of boys and girls, young men and women, well taught, and well versed in the principles and facts of science, philosophy and art, violate with apparent indifference every commandment of the decalogue. Many of our most astute thinkers believe that the chief cause of this state of things is found in the fact that too little attention is given to moral and religious education.

The world needs good men and women—men and women with pure thoughts, noble desires, benevolent purposes, and holy volitions. We want large-souled philanthropists like Howard, Peabody, and Hand; unselfish statesmen like Webster and Clay; law makers and officers devoted to right and truth; in a word, we need men and women who are desirous of promoting every scheme for the benefit of humanity.

We cannot reasonably hope to obtain such men and women, unless distinct moral and religious instruction is imparted to them while they are young. People do not become upright and virtuous by chance, they perceive and obey fixed moral ideas. Our boys and girls should be taught principles of obedience, truthfulness, honesty, temperance, promptness, industry and chastity more by example than by precept. The best moral instruction must be based on religious teaching. A fear and love of God, a belief in a future state, and in a personal responsibility to God are strong incentives to the above mentioned virtues.

I desire to emphasize the idea that special attention should be given to moral and religious instruction in the education of our boys and girls, young men and women. All educators agree that sound mor al instruction should be inculcated in our common schools. There is a difference of judgement, however, among our best thinkers, as to whether religious instruction should be given in our public schools. I am thoroughly convinced that sound, religious teaching should accompany the daily work of our common schools. I do not mean to say, that Baptist, Methodist, or Episcopal school teacher should teach religious ideas to their school children, according to the tenets of their respective denominations, but I do mean to say, that every school teacher should teach those common tenets of our Christianity in which about all denominations concurs. Text books embodying these ideas could be easily prepared by committees composed of men and women of different religious beliefs.

When special attention will have been given to moral and religious instruction in our public schools for a score of years, we shall behold purer families, a nobler church, a grander nation, and a more prosperous people. Then every conscientious school teacher will be able to utter with truth the words of Horace:

"Exegi monumentum aere perennius." (I have erected a monument more enduring than bronze.)

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The colored population of all France is less than 550.

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An Alabama Negro convict speaks a dozen languages.

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Mr. Edward Moss is traveling for a fruit house in Columbus O.

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There are only five colored mail agents in the State of Virginia.

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There are 1,139 colored pupils attending the public schools of Boston.

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Joseph S. Davis, a prominent young lawyer of Baltimore, Md., is dead.

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Charles H. brother of John M. Langston died at Lawrence Kan. Dec. 9th.

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Paris, with its population of about 2,500,000 has fewer than 100 Negroes within its limits.

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Edward Hallinger, colored, the murderer of his mistress, was hanged at Jersey City, Dec 22nd.

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The colored State Fair Association will be held at Jacksonville, Fla, beginning Feb. 22nd, '93

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Levi Johnson, real estate broker, business man and prominent citizen of Andover, Pa, died recently.

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At New Brunswick, N. J. while gunning, Lee Jeffries was accidently shot and killed by Joseph Hardy.

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The scaffold on which John Brown was hanged at Harper's Ferry will be on exhibition at the World's Fair.

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John White was hanged at Meridian, Miss., for the murder of John Logan, a special officer, who was trying to arrest him.

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Daniel Gould of Philadelphia attemped suicide by shooting, recently because Miss Sadie Matson refused to marry him.

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A 4 year old Negro boy on exhibition can read any chapter in the Bible and also read Latin French and German with ease.

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William Freeman, a woman, name unknown, and a baby not identified were killed by the cyclone at Summit, Miss, Dec. 13th.

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Clinton Stringer was assassihated at his home. He was filled with buckshot while standing in the door of his dwelling. There is no clue.

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Peter Jackson sparred four rounds each with Tom Chandler of Boston and Jack Douglass of Brooklyn in Battery D. Chicago recently.

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George Freeny was hanged at Franklin, Tex, for the murder of his stepson, John Robertson, aged 12 years. He was convicted on circumstantial evidence.

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Stephen Hines went to the house of his cousin, Sarah Hamilton, at Savannah, Ga., to scare her. She didn't scare, but seized a Winchester rifle and shot him dead.

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Tommy Warren, the feather-weight prize fighter, is in jail at Waco, Tex., for attempting the murder of Clem Stovall, the colored porter of the St. Charles House.

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Colored men were imported from Birmingham, Ala., to take the places of members of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, on strike at the Ohio Iron Company, Zanesville, Ohio.

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Stephen Hall, an innocent man, was sentenced to prison for ten years for burglary. Fred Richards, arrested at the same time, confessed his guilt and Hall will go free.

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Hon. N. Wright Cuney, collector of customs at Galveston, Texas, was the only Negro delegate to the National convention in the interest of the Nicaragua canal.

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Chauncey Morlon and Annie Bell were married recently in New York City. The groom is 21 years old and weighs 442 pounds. The bride is a year younger and tips the scales at 570.

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Oscar Edwards, president of Straight University, the oldest and leading colored institution, of New Orleans, was arrested for cruelly beating a nine year old daughter of Mrs. Eliza Hayden.

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Wm. H. Lewis, who graduated last year from Amherst college and is now a member of the law department of Harvard college, was chosen to play in the great Harvard-Yale game Thanksgiving day.

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The most successful colored merchant in the United States John D. Lewis, of New York, died recently, in that city. He was a merchant-tailor and enjoyed the patronage of the most fashionable people of the metroplis.

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Lawyer W. T. McGuinn has drawn a strong petition asking Governor Brown to commute the death sentence of the boys convicted in the Hill murder case, recently tried in Kent county. Some of the most influential white pastors of Baltimore have signed the petition.

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The Philadelphia Kennel Club had a field display of twenty-two dogs at High Point, N. C. Delphic Duke, who had been trained by an Afro-American, was entered, when all the handlers' announced that they would withdraw their dogs if the Negro's dog was permitted to run.

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Henry F. Downing ex-consul to St. Paul de Loando under Cleveland, former editor of the Message and one of the most prominent colored men in New York and Brooklyn, is in trouble concerning the death of Mary Addie Creed, who was about to become a mother. Downing is said to be responsible for her death.

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At Charlotte, S. C., William Tillman was shot by another Negro, Ben Huskins, the ball, it was thought, going through the upper part of the stomach. Tillman died, but the post mortem examination disclosed the fact that he had been shot through the heart, the ball passing through. From the point of entrance to the exit of the ball (32-caliber), was two inches. This is the only instance on record of a man being shot through the heart and living. He survived four days.

Organize a New Church.

Danville, Va., Special.

Agnes Holland died Dec. 2nd. Her funeral took place from the High St. Baptist Church at 3 o'clock Sunday evening. Rev. J. L. Barksdale officiated, assisted by Rev. R. G. Adams, of North Danville. She leaves a husband and daughter, Mrs. Mattie Patrick. Persons owing the agent for The Freeman must settle. Messrs. Louis Selby, of Richmond, and Johnny McNeal, of Baltimore, Md., passed through the city Saturday enroute to Salisburg, N. C, to visit relatives. Also Alonzo Ferron, of Baltimore, Md., passed through the city enroute to the same point. Rev. Wm. E. Carr and Prof. Long, of the Holbrook St. Presbyterian school, are doing a good work. It did me good to read Hon. Frederick Douglass' letter on the illness of the Republican party. There are but five mail agents of color in the State of Virginia. If the Republican party gets in power in 1896 they will be apt to have more Negro and less tariff. Miss P. M. Barksdale and Lorenzo Ivy, of the Holbrook St. public school, had a fight at school Nov. 30th. The school trustees suspended Miss P. M. Barksdale for thirty days. It seems that they decided to let the matter drop and she came back to the school and they put her down for thirty days. Miss Emma Trent, of Richmond, Va., is visiting Miss Clara Scott, of Monroe street. The dissatisfied members of the High St. Baptist Church met at the True Reformers' Hall, Friday night, Dec. 9th and organized a Baptist Church to be named Mount Calvary Baptist Church. Rev. H. H. Mitchell, of Farmville, Va., an ex-pastor of High St. Church and President of the Baptist State Convention, was present and preached. Rev. Alexander Gordon, of Loyal St. Baptist Church, was also present. They took up a collection of $12 01. Rev. H. H. Mitchell preached Sunday at the above named place. The organization of this church will cause better society among the people, as they have the better class of the church which they left. Capt W. J Reid, Alfred Barksdale and Thomas Fuller left on Dec. 4th for Illinois to work for a tobacco company.

JAMES H. TRIMBLE.

MAIL CARRIER OF JACKSON, TENN.

James H. Trimble, the son of Wash and Laura Trimble, was born near Washington, Ark., June 18th, 1869. His mother died when he was 11 years old. After her death he went to live with his uncle, James Hamilton. He attended the public school of Washington, Ark., where he gave evidence of being an earnest and close student. In August, 1886, he went to live with his uncle Rev. F. M. Hamilton, who was editor of the Christian Index, Jackson, Tenn. Here he entered the Lane Institute in September, 1886, and graduated with honor in May, 1890. While attending this Institution, he worked in the office of the Christian Index during vacation and succeeded in learning the printer's trade, and was afterward made foreman of the job printing department. During his leisure hours he learned the art of crayon work and has proven himself very efficient in the art. Among his works in this line is an excellent portrait of Dr. M V. Lynk, of this city, which he made to put on exhibition at the Raleigh Exposition last year. He made a profession of religion in 1887 and joined the C. M. E. Church, and has lived an acceptable member of the same, having recently been made an officer in the Church. He was appointed letter carrier at Jackson, Tenn., in September, 1891, which position he still holds and gives entire satisfaction. Being honest, industrious and of general good habits, he has before him a wide field of usefulness, and will push his way to the front despite the many inconveniences and obstacles which meet the Afro-Americans in every chosen avocation.

J. H. TRIMBLE, Esq.,
Jackson, Tenn.

Rocky Mountain News.

Helena, Mont., Special.

The mountains are covered with snow, and it is predicted that we will have a very severe winter. Rev. Watson is preaching interesting sermons. Mrs John Henderson, from St. Paul, Minn., has gone to Great Falls, but will return soon to reside in Helena. Chas Johnson, sr., who has been absent for the past eleven months, returned a few days ago. Bird's Lodge No. 11, A. F. and F. M,, will give a grand ball Dec. 27th. Dancing school is being held at the Business College, corner Main and 6th ave. every Thursday evening. Ice cream and other refreshments were served last Thursday. Harry Simmons, dancing master; Harry King, floor manager. The colored Cavalry troope has been ordered from Fort Keogh to Fort Buford. Wm. Cole, Prof. E. G. Cole's brother left Dec. 7th for his home in the East. Mr. Cole's friends wish him an early return to Helena Every colored person should read The Freeman. All persons desiring copies should notify W. Jasper Hyskell, No. 40 Benton avenue, near Clarke street. All Afro-Americans traveling to and through the great Northwest, should you come to Helena, should give Mrs. Thomas Taylor your patronage, as she keeps a first-class boarding and lodging house, near Jackson street, in Tower Flats. First-class and neat rooms and table always supplied with the very best the market affords. Board and lodging $5 00 per week. Mr. and Mrs. Mumford, of Columbia, Tenn., are much pleased with Helena and will reside here permanently.

Uniontown, Pa.

The Mt. Olivet Baptist re-opened the basement of their church last Sunday, with a crowded house. Collection for the day was $145 47. Edward Brown, one of our prominent young men, is canvassing for the Black Phalanx, with good success.

Wheatley, Ark.

Wheatley is situated on the Memphis & Little Rock, R. R., five miles east of Brinkly. It is a fine farming country. There are three churches here all in a progressive state. The A. M. E. is the leading, Rev. S. A. Borum, pastor. He is formerly of Forrest City. Rev. Harris is pastor of the Baptist, Rev. Pegee of the M. E. Church. Subscription school will start next week, S. A. Borum, teacher. R. C. Nunn and Goodman are among the leading colored men in this vicinity. Revs. J. M. Conner, D. D., S. T. D., J. C. Jones and J. I. Lowe passed through last week. S. A. Borum went to Brinkley to see Rev. A. L. Ridgel before he left for Africa. Dr. Conner will hold his first Quarterly conference here soon. The people want The Freeman.

Ogden, Utah.

The city claims 20,000 population, with but few colored people. What are here are principally railroad men. Salt Lake claims 55,000 and has quite a number of colored people. They have one colored police officer and one detective in Salt Lake. There are few colored people in Utah who own property. The larger portion here are of the inferior class, and are single men and women who never stop long in one place.

THE NEGRO

MUST NOT IMITATE THE VICES OF THE WHITE MAN.

BY WILLIE E HILL.

The Freeman is the greatest newspaper published in the world. It does not tell us how we ought to dress, and who are dressed, it looks after our education, our condition, our pride in life, and how we should elevate ourselves, morally and financially. In my opinion, there is no Negro that has ever been able to smoke a cigar or drink a drop of spirituous liquors. He should take this into consideration: Who makes the cigars and distilled the rum, who built the prisons? The white man. Then let him use them. Why should the man of color participate in such things when he knows they are injurious to his physical frame? But says the man of color, the white man smokes, why not I? The white man drinks, why not I? Not giving it a thought that in the South there are places where his brother cannot enter and stand to the bar and call for his beverage as a white man. He must be compelled to stand in some inferior place to take his poisonous drink. Cannot he be enlightened through the pages of The Freeman that he is educating and clothing the white man's children, buying homes, building colleges, while his children are neglected? Many a poor mother, honest, toiling for her babes, must be the victim of abuse,—her babes neglected for drink. The money all gone for vice, she must necessarily struggle to maintain her family, and try as a fond parent to succor her children and make her home a heaven. Did God create the Afro-American for such? No. We are the coming people; if not, then there must be some mistake in the Bible. We cannot expect much of the white man. If we would only peruse and subscribe for your valuable paper, then we would commence to think for ourselves and not let the white man think for us. As your paper is an advocate of the Afro-American's interest, it should be the study of the Afro-American to uphold its great value and its good works. I will try with all my ability to interest my young men and women to look to their interest and take The Freeman.

Nashville, Tenn.

The first term of this scholastic year of Central Tennessee College closed Friday, December 9th. The term examinations were held Thursday and Friday Dec. 8th and 9th. Members of the advanced composition classes rendered an excellent program, consisting of music, papers, and orations, at the college chapel, Friday evening December 9th. The Nashville District M. E. conference which has been in session dur ng the past week, at Seay Chapel, adjourned Saturday December 11th.

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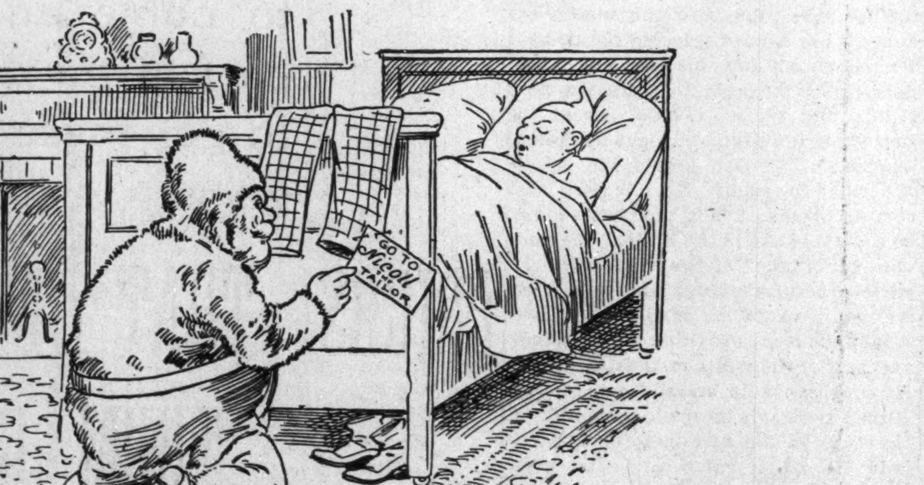

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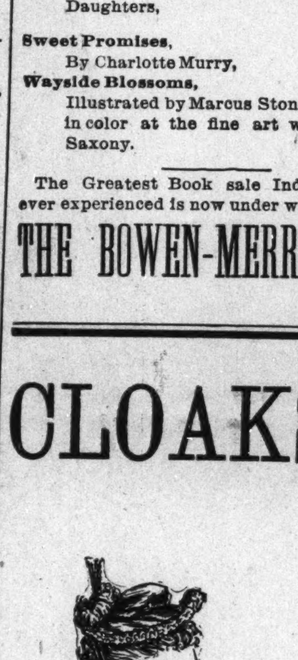

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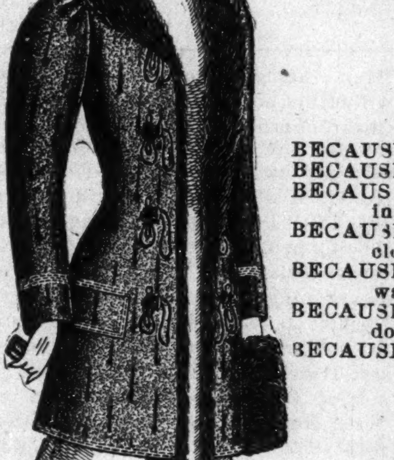

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